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REDS WALK INTO SHANGHAI

Take Over Area South Of Soochow Creek DEFENDERS ON THE RUN

Shanghai, May 25.

Shanghai fell to the Chinese Communists today (Wednesday). The Reds were clearing out tiny Nationalist resistance pockets in expanding their unopposed occupation of the great city's heart.

Green-clad Communist Army veterans entered the Asian metropolis of some 6,000,000 persons just after dawn. They came from the South West. To the pealing of church bells, they marched to the centre of the city without a fight.

The Reds reached the famous Bund, facing on the Whangpoo River, by 8 a.m. Their line of march was right through the old French Concession and International Settlement.

Canton To Close Ranks

Canton, May 25.

As the Nationalist forces were being taken out of Shanghai government officials in Canton were today making last minute efforts to compose their differences and arrange some pattern for a South China holdout.

Kuomintang leaders clamoured for Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's return to power reported they had collected enough signatures for a petition to circulate to Acting President Li Tsung-shan and the Generalissimo would meet soon, probably at Penghu (Pescadore), a key island base West of Taiwan, where reliable information says Chiang is now staying.

Some reports said a delegation of nine men, headed by former Shanxi Governor Ma Fashan, is being formed to arrange a meeting between the Acting and retired Presidents.

It will be remembered Marshal Yen was successful where others failed in a mission to bring General Li Tsung-shan back to Canton two weeks ago after the Acting President had spent a fortnight in seclusion when he disagreed with Kuomintang right-wingers on the extent of his presidential powers.

Meanwhile Chiang Kai-shek is expected before the end of the month to submit to the Kuomintang here a statement in which he will disclose his views concerning the existing disunity in the party on matters of high policy.

He is not expected to come to Canton to deliver the statement to person.

Meantime, Acting President Li this afternoon informed a delegation of local officials he would not give up South China and that the capital would remain in Canton. He revealed that orders have been sent to General Pai Chung-hai, Central China commander, and General Hsia Wei to defend Central China—a probable site of the next major battle.

Both commercial and private radio contact with Shanghai was broken off this morning.

The government radio administration announced cables were closed to Shanghai and no messages would be accepted.—United Press.

The Weather

At 0600 GMT (2 p.m. HKST), from a shallow depression over the Pacific, a trough extends WSW, across the South China Sea, to the Philippines. A cold front extends from the trough, passing south of Luzon. The Pacific has been recently cleared of clouds.

Today's Forecast: Light S or SE winds, fair.

Yesterday's Weather: Maximum 81.5 deg. F., minimum 74.0 deg. F. Rainfall: 0.1 in. Total since Jan. 1: 21.5 in. Average of 1948: 20.7 in. Readings at: 10 a.m. 4 p.m.

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Until afternoon, the Communists made no move against the only two parts of the city that had not already been handed them—the North Eastern district and the Bund itself.

At 1:30 p.m., Red troops moved into the Bund and against the Nationalist-held bridges across Soochow Creek which cuts through Shanghai from East to West, and flows under the Garden Bridge at the North end of the famed thoroughfare.

Across Soochow Creek

Some of the bridge-holding Nationalists fought back. The spans lead to the North East, along the Whangpoo to Woosung, 10 miles away, to the mouth of the Yangtze. This was the route the Nationalists used for evacuation last night.

The fighting at the Garden Bridge was sharp. The Nationalists had only about 10 men on each side of bridge when the Communists began moving in. There were approximately the same number of defenders on each of the other spans.

The Reds took over abandoned Nationalist emplacements where Nanking Road meets the Bund in their move on Garden Bridge. Four blocks to the North, the Communists were firing farther North. This suggested Communists had crossed the Soochow Creek upstream and were encircling the Hongkew section, still farther North. Nationalists were pulling out toward Woosung. There evacuation ships were waiting. The only way out was North.

Long since, the Reds had forged a steel ring almost around the city. Their drive from the South West had swept over big Lung-hwa International airport and the smaller Hunglo airport.

Northward Corridor

All that remained open to the Nationalists was the Northward corridor along the Whangpoo and perhaps Kiangnan military airfield, also North of the city.

The Whangpoo itself was blocked along the Shanghai waterfront. The Nationalists scuttled at least nine ships there. The ship channel was menaced all along the East side in the sprawling Pooing area. Here the Reds had driven to the bank in their "back door" drive from the East after a flanking thrust from the South West. Sporadic firing from Pooing today sounded, as though the Reds were rounding up last-ditch Nationalist holdouts there.

The Nationalists' chance for escape was to make the 10 miles to Woosung.

Veteran troops of Red General Chen Yi came in through the old French Concession after a night of heavy cannonading on the North and pitched battles on the West.

The advance elements were plainly tired. Their green uniforms showed the strain and wear of battle. But they moved down the avenues to the Bund on the double-quick. They carried light arms and machine-guns.

In High Spirit They came into the heart of the city in sharp formations. Their movements were decisive. They obviously had spirit.

Swiftly the Reds moved down Avenue Patain, Avenue Edward VII and other main arteries into mid-town. They found elaborate barricades along the march but no resistance.

When they got to City Hall, Nationalists at an emplacement there already had erected a big sign. It read: "Welcome People's Liberation Army."

While some Chinese were surprised at the speed of the Communist entry, the faces of most were utterly impassive. They betrayed neither approval nor disapproval. The Chinese are long accustomed to hiding their attitude on matters political.

As soon as they were in the city, the Reds began putting up posters instructing the populace to be calm.

They assured the people they had nothing to fear. Evidently printed some time ago, the posters replaced Nationalist slogans urging resistance to the Reds.

Other Red troops began stringing telephone wires. Some took over at street intersections. The occupation force was polite and orderly.

Streets Cleared

At other points, Shanghai residents were told to stay out of the streets for their own safety. The Red commander of a group that came down Avenue Edward VII ordered the entrance blocked for a time to the building housing the Associated Press bureau.

He said it was dangerous to go into the streets. There was some firing there at the time. The Communist advance along the Bund toward the Soochow Creek bridges precipitated heavy small arms fire and skirmishing. The Glen Line building, which houses the U.S. Consulate-General, was in the line of fire.

Bullets splattered off the building. Circular employees ducked and stayed away from windows. The American flag flew at half mast atop the six-story structure. Consul-General John Cabot said it was for the late James Forrestal, former Secretary of Defence, not the Nationalists.

Parts of the British Consulate-General also were in the line of fire.

Nationalist troops up-ended park benches in Garden Bridge Park alongside the Whangpoo across the Bund from the British Consulate and across Soochow Creek from the Soviet Consulate. The Nationalists inexplicably slashed limbs from Shanghai's few trees and piled them up the overcast benches. This manoeuvre baffled observers.

The Nationalists set up guns in the Soviet Consulate grounds. They also set up a machine-gun on the first floor of Broadway buildings, a skyscraper on the North bank of Soochow Creek. With this gun they fired on Communists who took over sand-bag emplacements built by the Nationalists.

Yesterday the Government held a "victory" parade.

Only 24 hours ago, the Nationalist secret police leader, Fung Chih, told correspondents the Government would hold indefinitely. It was learned today that at the time he was speaking Mayor Chen Liang had quietly decamped to the South. Fung was not in sight.

Even today, Nationalist planes came over the city and dropped a sheaf of handbills urging the people to carry on.—Associated Press.

KOREA'S FEAR

Seoul, May 25. The Korean people fear the United States will sell out the Orient to the Russians at the Foreign Ministers conference in Paris in return for Soviet assurances of a democratic Europe, the pro-government Korean newspaper "Union Times" said today.

The daily charged the United States was abandoning its responsibility toward Korea. Washington's policy is "weak and wavering," the "Union Times" asserted.—Reuter.

Sir Robert's Funeral



"China Mail" photo.

Sir Robert Hormus Kotewall, CMG, LL.D., former member of the Legislative and Executive Councils, who died of heart ailment on Monday night, was buried at the Mount Davis Cemetery yesterday.

The funeral cortege started from No. 51D, Conduit Road, the residence of Sir Robert, at about 11:15 p.m. After prayers were said by Dean Rose, that Reverend George She and the Reverend Lee Kau-yan.

The procession made a stop in front of the Hong Kong University, where friends and relatives paid their last respect to the deceased.

Those Present Among those present were Captain A. P. F. Wilson, ADC, representing the Governor, Mr. and Mrs. B. C. K. Hawkins, Mr. Leo d'Almada e Castro, Mr. J. C. McDouall, Bishop of Victoria, Father R. W. Gallagher, Father Sheridan, Father Cronin, Mr. J. Barrow, Mr. N. V. A. Croucher, Mr. R. A. Wickerson, Mr. D. H. Blake, Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Mardulyn, the Reverend G. A. Goodban, the Reverend P. Smith, Mr. T. W. Kwok, Major J. S. Pugh, Mr. P. H. Sin, Sir Shouson Chow, Mr. Edward Ho Tung, Lady Lo, Mr. T. N. Chau, Dr. S. N. Chau, Mr. Ho Kom-long, Dr. Irene H. Tung, Dr.

Katie Woo, Major S. N. Churn, Mr. F. J. Grose, Mr. D. O. Silva, Mr. R. Pestoni, Mr. F. J. da Silva, Mrs. J. B. Mackie, Mrs. J. Eger, Mr. N. N. Shroff, Mr. Robert Choa, Mr. W. A. Zimmerman, Mr. A. C. Sund, Mr. Kwok Chan, Mr. Li Koon-chun, Mr. B. Wong Tappe, Dr. Li Shu-fan, Dr. F. I. Tseung, Mr. J. M. Wong, Mr. Lo Yuk-long, Mr. Ng Wah, Mr. Kong E-suen, Mr. Kong Shu-lui, Mr. Leung Kwai-lin, Mr. Ngan Shing-kwan, Mr. K. L. Hui, Mr. Arthur Woo, Mr. Lau Tak-po, Mr. Wong Tong, Mr. Tam Woon-long, Mr. Fung Ping-fan, Dr. Ma Luk, Mr. Lee Yu-chung, Dr. Liu Yan-lak, Mr. O. W. Luke, Mr. G. Van Bergen, Mr. Shum Choy-wah, Mr. Chow Chan-kwong, Mr. Li Po-kwal, Mr. Li Yik-mui, Mr. Ma Tsui-chiu, Mr. Mok Kon-sang, Mr. Leung Ki-ho, Mr. Wei Man-wei, Mr. Chung King-pui, Mr. Li Mon-ik, Professor Ma Klam, Mr. Wei Tai, Mr. Wong Chi-do, Mr. Li Chung-po, Mr. Hon Man-wai, and many others.

The chief mourners were the son, Cyril, and eight daughters, Mrs. S. K. Lee, Mrs. M. C. Hing, Mrs. Fred Zimmerman, Mrs. Francis Zimmerman, Mrs. G. Choa and Mrs. Bobby, Fatsy and Cecilia Kotewall.

More than 2,000 persons attended the funeral and among the several lorry loads of wreaths

were those from the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, Mr. and Mrs. B. C. K. Hawkins, Mr. and Mrs. Leo d'Almada, Mr. T. W. Kwok, Admiral Sir Andrew Chan Chak, Marshal Li Chai-tum, General Tsai Ting-ko, General Yu Hon-mow, and others.

A detachment of the District Watch Force, and pupils from St. Paul's College, took part in the funeral procession to the cemetery.

It was perhaps the most representative funeral procession ever seen with members from almost every organisation and institution in the Colony and individuals from every walk of life participating.

Procession

It was perhaps also a fitting finale to the life and career of one of the most outstanding public men in the Colony, who had devoted almost the whole of his working life to the public, first as a member of the Civil Service, and afterwards as the administrator of the Chinese Community of Hong Kong, in whose interests he had fought, without fear or favour, even while Hong Kong was under the iron heels of the Japanese conquerors during the war years.

To him the community of Hong Kong, both Chinese and non-Chinese, paid their last respects yesterday.

KOWLOON ASSOCIATION BACKS REFORM PLAN

A proposal that the Kowloon Residents' Association support the alternative scheme for Legislative Council Reform as tabled by the Unofficial members was carried at the Association's Annual General Meeting held at St. Andrew's Church yesterday.

In the absence of the President, Mr. F. C. Clemon and the Vice-President, Mr. J. Moodie, who are on leave, Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almada, KC, took the chair.

Addressing the meeting, Mr. d'Almada said that he did not propose to go into the subjects mentioned in the Annual report except one. Reading of the report, he said, shows that steady progress has been made by the Association. The Committee have done useful work not only to the benefit of their members but also to all residents in Kowloon.

A special feature in the past few months, he continued, was that new blocks of buildings have sprung up on the Peninsula, but this was not what they had hoped for. Key-money was still a problem, and as long as there were rapacious key-money racketeers, this would still continue.

Requisition Mr. d'Almada also took up the subject of the sudden decision of Government to requisition houses in Kowloon. He said that they could not but regret the loss of the site and the fact that requisition is not in a general way.

"We have seen in Kowloon," he continued, "the growth of squatter's huts and representations have been made to Government with reference to the danger, and assurances have been received that these will be dealt with."

Touching the proposal made that drivers' and owners' licences be renewed on the Kowloon side, he said that so far there have been no signs of these coming into being.

"We have also seen," the Acting Chairman said, "in the past

MANILA NERVOUS

Manila, May 25.

Black headlines topped the story of Shanghai's fall here today. Their effect was to increase Philippine nervousness for its future on the flank of Communist Asia.

Under-Secretary of Foreign Affairs Felino Neri limited his comment to: "Loss of Shanghai, of course, is important to us."

The Philippine Consul-General, Mariano Espelido, in Shanghai, informed the Foreign Affairs Department here at 3:30 o'clock GMT that the foreign consular corps in Shanghai was forming a committee. Its purpose is to explore possibility of continuing business on a provisional basis with the Red newcomers.

The Philippine Government has taken the position up to now that it was "premature" to consider business relations with the Reds so long as the Nationalist Government exists.—Associated Press.

MURDER BEFORE SUICIDE

Cosenza, Southern Italy, May 24.

Gennaro Esposito, Italian labourer aged 25, who died, his son aged two at the foot of his mother's grave and then committed suicide, falling across his son's body.—Reuter.

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U.S. SEEKING COMMON POLICY TOWARD CHINA

Paris, May 25.

A responsible American diplomatic informant said today the United States has asked more than a dozen leading nations to meet on shaping a unified policy toward the Chinese Communist.

The informant said the State Department had sent notes to these nations, both in the Atlantic and Pacific regions, proposing talks to weld a common diplomatic front toward the emerging Red Chinese regime.

The move, the informant said, was touched off in part by recent reports that India was planning to recognise the Chinese Reds as soon as they formed a government for all China.

One of the most important suggestions made in the note, the informant said, was that none of the countries concerned should recognise a new regime in China without consulting the other nations.

He said another suggestion was that the Powers should seek to bind China to maintain an Open Door policy for the West. Many of the big Western Powers, notably the U.S., Britain and France, have big commercial and economic interests in China.

The United States, Britain and France were understood to have concluded an informal agreement late last year not to recognise the Chinese Reds without consulting one another first.

The informant said the American notes were sent about two weeks ago. The recipients included Britain, France, Belgium, Holland, India, Pakistan, Australia, New Zealand, Ceylon and Union of South Africa.

Two Decisions U.S. Secretary of State Dean Acheson and other top American leaders have made several important policy decisions in relation to China and the Far East generally within the past month, the informant said. He said these decisions included:

1—The U.S. should end its "wait and see" policy toward events in China.

2—The U.S. and all like-minded nations should begin resolving their differences and start working out a positive program for preventing the rush of Communism through the Far East.

It is impossible at present to say whether "non-Communist" countries will lay down any conditions for recognising a new Chinese regime.

But according to information from sources in touch with high British and French officials, London and Paris are thinking of asking for specific guarantees from the Chinese Reds before they establish relations with them.

France may ask for a prior definition of the border between China and Indo-China.

Britain would like a pledge that the Chinese will respect their sovereignty in Hong Kong and will renew their leases on several settlements on the Chinese mainland facing Hong Kong. These leases will expire soon.

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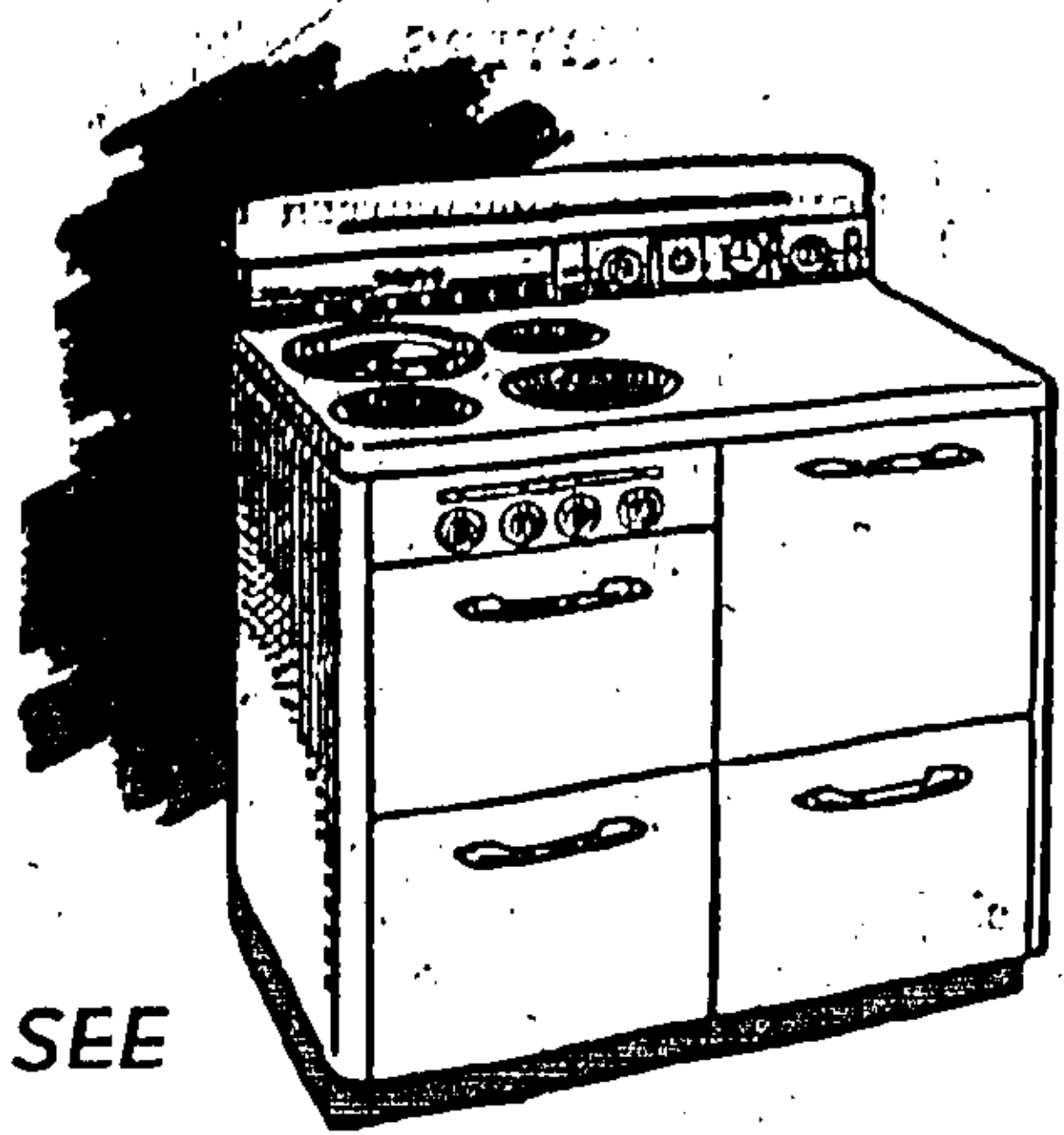
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HK Delegation Entertained



Hong Kong's Industrial delegation to the DIF was extensively entertained in London during its stay there. Mr. U Tat-chai, Chinese leader of the delegation, is shown here with Mr. E. A. Grimwood, Hong Kong Government Agent in London, on his left. Mr. E. Hims-worth, Director of the Department of Commerce and Industry, Hong Kong, is seated near the lampstand. The picture was taken at Savoy Hotel.

Camera Clubs Exhibition

A preview of the Washington Council of Camera Clubs Exhibition was given at last night's monthly dinner meeting of the Photographic Society of Hong Kong, at Cafe Wiseman.

The Exhibition is sponsored by the "620" Klub of Hong Kong as one of the many activities of the Pictorial Division of the Photographic Society of America.

The entire WCCC Exhibition consists of 43 prints from 20 exhibitors, who are members of several camera clubs in the State of Washington. The prints will be shown at a public Exhibition at some later date in June sponsored by the Photographic Society of Hong Kong.

Further showing of these exhibits are also being arranged at the request of schools and other interested societies. Any photographic group wishing to have the WCCC prints for exhibition purposes should contact Mr. Francis Wu at 2, Gloucester Arcade or write to Mr. S. K. Yuen, General Secretary of the P.S.A. Pictorial Division in Hong Kong, P. O. Box 238, Hong Kong.

The programme at the meeting of the Photographic Society of Hong Kong last night included a talk on negative quality by Mr. K. A. Watson. Results of the Monthly print competition was announced, and comments and criticisms of the prints submitted for this competition, were made by photographers of the Society.

WENYON BLOCK OPENS AT FATSHAN HOSPITAL

The new main ward block—the Wenyon Block, named after the founder of the Fatshan Hospital, Dr. Charles Wenyon—was officially opened on Sunday in the presence of a distinguished gathering of Chinese and British officials and missionaries.

Among the visitors were Air Vice-Marshal and Mrs. Warburton, the Chief Magistrate of Nantoh District, representatives from the Lingnan University, and hospitals and missionaries in the Canton district. The Economic Co-operation Administration was also represented.

The celebrations started on Saturday with a reunion of the graduate nurses of the Fatshan School of Nursing which commemorated its 25th anniversary at the same time. It was also the 25th anniversary of the opening of the Hong Kong ward which had been built by friends of the Rev. Mr. Edgar Dewstoe in Hong Kong.

The hospital is 70 years old and has seen the founding of two daughter-hospitals at Kung and Wuchow. With ever-increasing work, it has been apparent since the end of the war that the entire plant must be rebuilt.

The scheme has been divided into four stages, of which two are completed. The total cost is HK\$2,000,000. Towards this, HK\$720,000 have been already raised, and Dr. J. R. Rose thanked all donors and all helpers.

On the Wenyon Block there is still a debt of HK\$50,000 outstanding and an appeal was made to friends of the hospital to clear this debt as soon as possible.

For The Poor

The Rev. Mr. W. H. Allan, who preached the sermon stressed that the hospital, which it has such a fine block of wards, should not think itself to be only a rich man's hospital, but maintain its tradition of service for the poor.

If it should ever refuse treatment to a patient because of his poverty, that day would mark the downfall of the hospital. After the District Magistrate had spoken on behalf of the people of Nantoh and congratulated the hospital on its fine achievement, the visitor inspected the new block.

Many photos were taken, including a film under the direction of the "Taurus" Film Production Ltd. London, who are making a movie of the work of the Methodist Church in South China during the past 100 years.

After the official opening by the venerable Dr. So Kie-shan, the guests entered the building and two plaques were unveiled.

The first commemorated the gift of the people of the United States of America to the people of China in donating one half of the cost of the Wenyon Block through the ECA in China.

The second commemorated Dr. J. R. Rose who first introduced Western medicine into Fatshan in the year 1860 when he opened a dispensary in Fatshan under the auspices of the Canton Medical Missionary Society.

STEAMSHIP FIRM HAS DISAPPOINTING YEAR

Due to a heavy shrinkage of cargo movement caused by intensified restrictions covering cargoes to and from China within the sphere of the Company's operations, the year under review has been disappointing.

This was reported by Mr. S. T. Williamson at the 61st ordinary yearly meeting of the Douglas Steamship Company, Limited, held at the Company's office in the P & O Building yesterday.

Correspondence

The Editor takes no responsibility for views expressed in letters by correspondents, and by no means necessarily agrees with them.

Mother's Reaction

Sir,—I thought your readers might like to see a copy of a letter I am sending to one of the national newspapers published in the United Kingdom.

I am mother of one of the boys who was badly injured in the Yangtze Incident, and in consequence I was flown to Hong Kong under the Government's Dillor Scheme. Apart from the acute anxiety I felt during the long flight to his bedside, I was greatly perturbed as a result of a newspaper article I had read before my departure, and which led me (and I suppose many other mothers) to understand that the reception and facilities given to these sailors was inadequate and unsatisfactory.

I have now been in Hong Kong a fortnight and I feel it is my duty to let the wives and mothers of these lads know that the kindness of the people of Hong Kong has been overwhelming. Those that are not bedridden have been received into the homes of Hong Kong folk and have been entertained in many and varied ways. Many of the bedridden cases have been "adopted" by mothers of Hong Kong who visit them frequently and who have done so much to make them cheerful and to hasten their recovery. Individuals and firms have poured gifts into the hospital of a variety which is bewildering to me after years of austerity at home. A locally sponsored Naval Aid Fund has now reached the magnificent total of HK\$413,426.

The kindness of the Naval authorities must also be mentioned, and particularly the staff of the Royal Naval Hospital, Hong Kong, who have been untiring in their care for these wounded sailors from the Yangtze.

(MRS.) IVY L. MILES.

Naturalisation

Sir,—It was with some interest that I read your editorial of yesterday on the subject of "Government Reform."

In connection with your suggestion that "any Chinese who wishes to live permanently in Hong Kong should apply for naturalisation" may I point out that it is by no means as easy matter for Chinese to apply for "naturalisation" in this British Colony.

The privilege of becoming "naturalised British Subjects" would appear to be reserved specially for the people of one particular race.

SIMPLE SIMON.

Four Bills Become Law

By order of Sir Alexander Grantham, the Governor, members of the Legislative Council stood in silence for a minute yesterday, out of respect to Sir Robert Kotewell who died of heart failure on Monday night.

Business on the agenda was the second and third reading of four bills introduced in Council a week ago. They were all carried unanimously and became law.

The four bills were: The Societies Ordinance 1949, which makes compulsory the registration of all societies in the Colony, and bans all political societies having outside affiliations or connections.

The War Damaged Sites Ordinance 1949, to facilitate the clearance of war damaged sites, to provide for the recovery of the cost thereof, and for the sale of the sites when so required.

The Registrar General of Births and Deaths (Change of Style) Ordinance 1949.

The Officers of the Supreme Court (Regulation) Ordinance 1949.

The last two ordinances embody changes in the Legal and Judicial Departments approved by Government.

The Colonial Secretary, Mr. J. F. Nicoll, was yesterday sworn in as a member of Council.

To Dedicate New Motor Boat

The dedication of the new motor vessel "Dayspring II," latest addition to the two craft "fleet" of the Sailors' Home and Missions of the Seamen, will be held at the Wick Street Pier, Gloucester Road, on May 28 at 5 p.m. by the Right Reverend R. O. Hall, Bishop of Hong Kong.

The event, of bad weather, the service will take place in St. Peter's Chapel, Mission to Seamen.

The "Dayspring II" is for general use of all seamen, and is a fine motor vessel.

Construction of the new craft began about three months ago.

Personalia

Mrs. G. B. Atkinson, Mrs. G. O. Rutter, Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Purvis, and Mr. and Mrs. Eric Ruel are due to leave today for Singapore by the ss. Straat Soenda.

Mr. J. B. Woolley, Sub-Manager of the Shipping Department of Dowlwell and Company, accompanied by Mrs. Woolley, will leave today for Durban by the ss. Straat Soenda.

Due to leave today for Batavia by the ss. Tasman are Mrs. E. M. Toole, Professor M. H. van der Valk and Mr. Gouw Tjoen-hin.

Departures from the Peninsula Hotel on Tuesday included Mrs. W. D. Gable, Mrs. G. H. Herant, Messrs. J. A. Isom, W. H. Day, W. L. Demsey, D. L. Oliver, T. Doublet, E. F. Pilley, R. L. Parish, B. E. Davis, P. K. Mei, and Miss R. Wolf.

Among the new arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel on Tuesday were Mrs. S. M. Liddell, Mrs. W. R. McNeil, Mrs. E. E. Vetterlund, Messrs. R. D. Ellis, E. Y. A. C. T. Shaw, C. C. White, J. R. Pole, and J. B. Broly.

The forthcoming wedding has been announced of Edwin Joseph Charles, RN, shipwright of HMS Tanager, and Miss Ruby Alanaka, daughter of 359 Hennessy Road, second floor.

Mr. G. A. Johnston left for Japan yesterday by the ss. Seachow.

Departures for the United Kingdom by BOAC yesterday included Mrs. R. H. Rolihold, Miss Reinhold, Miss Rolihold, Capt. Brown, Capt. White, Mrs. Liddell, Miss Vetterlund, Miss Devi, Mr. Mohan Narain, Mrs. McNeil, Mr. Adams, Mrs. Adams, Mrs. D. Ellis, Miss D. Ellis, Mr. Board and Mr. Bunting.

Miss H. Baxter and Master I. Baxter, were among the passengers arrived in the Colony from Amoy by the ss. Heinrich Jessen yesterday.

Air France's New Service

Air France yesterday announced a Skymaster air service between Hong Kong and the Tungkong of Haiphong and Hanoi, in French Indo-China.

The service of the Far East network, operated on Mondays by two-engine DC-3 Douglas aircraft, is now being operated by four-engine DC-4 Skymasters with comfortable accommodation for 44 passengers.

The new schedule is: Arrivals from Haiphong/Hanoi every Friday. Departures for Haiphong/Hanoi every Saturday at 7 a.m. When passenger demands warrant it, additional aircraft will be put on the service.

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TB DEATHS

Seven deaths a day from tuberculosis during the week ended May 7 are reported in the weekly Health Bulletin released yesterday. In the same period 116 cases of tuberculosis were registered.

Deaths from all causes totalled 254 as against 200 births.



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Hsiao-Wo Lee Weds Miss Look

Two well known Hong Kong families were united yesterday at St. Joseph's Church in one of the Colony's most colourful weddings of the year.

The bridegroom was Mr. Hsiao-Wo Lee son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hsian, and the bride was Miss Christina Ngan-kwan, eldest daughter of Mr. Look Man-lan.

The very Rev. Father T. E. Ryan officiated.

Led to the altar by her father, the bride wore a dress of white slipper satin trimmed with lace at neck and lace sleeves. She was covered by a short tulle veil also trimmed with lace, and carried a bouquet of roses.

Miss Lantier Lowe, dressed in a pale blue tulle dress with net trimmings was Maid of Honour. Miss Ingrid Wong and Miss Esther Sun carried out the duties of bridesmaids, wearing pale primrose tulle dresses with net trimmings.

Bestman was Mr. J. S. Lee. Among those present at the wedding were the Governor and Lady Grantham, the G.O.C. Major-General Matthews, the Attorney General Mr. Griffin, Mr. A. Mose and many other distinguished guests.

A reception was later held at the bridegroom's house and was attended by more than 1,000 guests representing all sections of the local community.

"Dentist" Sentenced

For practising dentistry without a permit, Li Yick-cheung, aged 38, was yesterday sentenced to three months' imprisonment and fined \$500 or a further three months, by Mr. Blair-Kerr at the Kowloon Magistracy.

The prosecution stated that on Tuesday, a raid was carried out by Dr. W. C. Allright at an unnumbered but in Tung Tau Village, Kowloon. A dentist's chair and instruments including a foot-operated drill, five forceps, and medicine for making false teeth, were found.

Dr. Allright told the Court that the place was in a rather filthy condition.

Defendant pleaded that he came to the Colony about 10 ago and had practised dentistry only for a few days. He also said that he did not know the regulations, and that he had a certificate of dentistry issued by the Chinese Government which he left in Swatow.

The dental instruments were ordered to be confiscated for destruction.

Brothel-Keeper Sentenced

A sentence of six months' hard labour and a recommendation for banishment was imposed on Wong Shim, aged 52, by Mr. F. X. d'Almeida at Central yesterday on a charge of letting a woman out for hire for the purpose of prostitution.

Inspector Fraser of the SCA said that on May 23, a man, giving his name as Ho Wal-man, called at the SCA and made a report. He said that on the evening of May 19 he was at the Southern Playground in Wan-chai and there he saw defendant and the girl. He decided to take the girl and while on the way, the girl recognized Ho as her brother-in-law. He had married her sister in Canton.

The girl's earnings were taken by the defendant. Food and clothing were supplied to the girl.

— EARTH'S LAST WAR — ARMAGEDDON!

IMPORTANT NOTICE

This address to be given on the HONG KONG SIDE 6.30 P.M.

Memorial Church 18 Venter Road (Near Race Course)

SUNDAY MAY 29

On the KOWLOON SIDE 8.30 P.M.

DIBLE AUDITORIUM Chatham & Mody Roads

William Powell Limited, Meeting

William Powell, Limited, at its 43rd general meeting yesterday, reported a profit of HK\$108,208 for 1945.

"In arriving at the profit on trading for the year under review," said Mr. S. Hampden Ross, the Chairman, "debts accrued over the period since the commencement of post-war trading amounting to \$2,403 and considered irrecoverable were written off against the profit for that year."

"Under an arrangement entered into with Messrs. Lane, Crawford Ltd., your directors, in response to a request received from that company, agreed to pay a Management Fee of 10% on gross profit earned, which fee amounted to \$17,456 for the year under review, and is shown as a charge in arriving at the profit on trading for the year."

"To date we have been unable to procure suitable alternative premises from which to conduct the company's business. In any event it is probable that the overhead expenses for similar services would far exceed those at present being paid."

"Having regard to the facilities extended to the Company by Lane, Crawford Ltd., the agreed basis of remuneration is reasonable."

"After adding to the balance on trading for the year of \$108,208, transfer fees \$47.00 and charging directors fees \$3,000 and audit fee \$1,000 there remains a balance to be carried to profit and loss appropriation account of \$104,256. This balance, together with the balance brought forward from February 29, 1945 of \$3,423 and unclaimed dividends forfeited \$631,000, makes a total available for appropriation amounting to \$108,300."

"Your directors recommend that the following appropriations be made:—

Transfer of Provision for Corporation Profits Tax 1945/50	\$ 6,000
Transfer to General Reserve	20,000
Transfer of Provision for Staff Passages	3,000
Payment of Dividend of \$1 per Share, Free of Tax	42,000
Payment of Bonus of \$0.50 per Share, Free of Tax	21,000
	\$92,000

leaving a balance amounting to \$16,300 to be carried forward to next account.

"Your directors are continuing their policy of conserving resources with a view to meeting the outlay on new premises when ultimately acquired. Meanwhile, the company's liquid resources are being fully employed in maintaining stocks at a level necessary to meet the requirement of an expanding business."

"The surplus of assets over liabilities, after providing for the proposed dividend and bonus for the year 1945/46, amounts to \$209,309 compared with a surplus of \$167,423 as at February 29, 1945."

"We can congratulate ourselves on the completion of another year's satisfactory trading and, provided the political situation does not worsen, look forward to the future, with confidence."

"On the proposal of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. A. C. Duckworth, the report and the statement of accounts were unanimously adopted."

Proposed by Mr. K. D. Seyer and seconded by Mr. W. Stoker, Mr. F. C. Barry, the retiring director was re-elected.

Peat, Marwick, Mitchell and Company, were re-appointed auditors on the proposal of Mr. R. A. Dastur, seconded by Mr. A. Z. de Souza.

Rice Ships May Return To HK

Ships carrying 20,000 tons of rice to Shanghai for the Economic Co-operation Administration will return to Hong Kong should they fail to discharge their cargo, intended to relieve the food stocks of the Northern metropolis which the Reds destroyed yesterday.

No further information was available last night regarding the whereabouts of the three ships which left the Colony last Thursday.

"All we know was that they were instructed by Major Chen Chang of Shanghai to divert to Keelung because of the deteriorating situation in Shanghai," Mr. C. O. Tong, Shipping Manager of the said China Merchant Steam Navigation Company, said yesterday.

According to the original plan, the ships will return to Keelung should they fail to accomplish their mission, an official of the SCA Hong Kong Office said. Meanwhile, no further information

KOWLOON ASS'N

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General Committee, Mr. H. Braga, Hon. Leo d'Almeida, K.C., Dr. A. P. Gutierrez, Miss A. W. Hurroll, Mr. R. H. Jones, Mr. G. B. Labrum, Mr. A. A. Lopes, Mr. R. Pestonji, Mr. C. F. Wood, Mr. Young Tsun Dart, Mr. Wong Sik-Kueng, Mr. Wong Pui-sien, Lt. Col. E. H. Brazier-Creagh. Vacancies in the General Committee will be filled in future meetings.

In the discussion on Council Reform, which followed, Mr. C. E. Terry, the newly elected President outlined the history and objects of the Kowloon Residents' Association.

"At the outset this Association," he said, "was regarded rather as another 'anti-everything' body crying in the wilderness, but it is a matter of historical fact that by pursuing a policy of constructive criticism and disinterested championship of the needs of the community, the successive General Committees succeeded in raising our status, until the value of the Association as a consultative and representative body was recognised by Government and all Public Utility Companies upon whose services the amenities of residents of Kowloon depended. This recognition, which had been much in evidence for years before the outbreak of hostilities, was further evidenced by the inclusion of the Association in the nominating bodies proposed in Sir Mark Young's Municipal Council Plan."

"Disagreement" continued Mr. Terry, "when advocating the retention of the Municipal Council Plan, stated that no responsible body had supported the plan."

"The fundamental principles advocated by the Association are similar to those of the Unofficials' tabled Resolution, and it is our considered opinion that these form the only practical basis on which the desired result of greater participation by the people of Hong Kong in their own affairs can be achieved."

Reference was made to the service of the Hon. Mr. (later Sir) Henry Pollock, the Hon. J. P. Braga and the Hon. Leo d'Almeida as Unofficial members, and that a general appreciation of their services be placed on record.

"While it is obvious that I disagree basically with much that has been said in public on this question, I would not like to be thought that I criticised in any way, the public expression of such opinions when voiced by someone in their own name. I do, however, most strongly condemn the 'tattered lackey' who frisk at the heels of public speakers and, under the cloak of anonymity in the Press, impugn the honesty of purpose of known public figures."

Annual Report

"You have before you in the Annual Report your Committee's views on the relative merits of the Municipal Council scheme, as proposed, and what is substantially the same scheme as merely a 'red herring'. The first essential is to obtain decision on the point of principle, namely, do we want a Municipal Council as originally proposed or do we want a revised Legislative Council? As I see it, the proposed resolution of the Council is a 'red herring' designed to obtain that decision, and I feel most strongly that that point and that point alone should be decided as soon as possible. To that end, Mr. Chairman, I formally move that this Association support the alternative scheme for Legislative Council Reform tabled by the Unofficial Members."

Opposing the resolution was Lt. Col. E. H. Brazier-Creagh, whose counter proposition was defeated when no second to his motion stood up.

The Dutch steamer Tjibodak, the first to leave on this Government mission last week, is believed to have left the Northern metropolis on Tuesday. If so, she is due to reach the Colony by Friday.

The three- funnel British steamer Talara left on Tuesday, after being refitted at Talkoo Dockyard in the way of extra accommodation.

Reminders

Today

HK Art Club, monthly exhibition, St. John's Cathedral hall, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Kowloon Rotary Club, Closed meeting, Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

RAF Association Luncheon, Jacobean Room, HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.
Y's Men's Club of Hong Kong, luncheon at Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

Union Church Ladies Guild meeting, Helena May Institute, 4 p.m.
HK Stage Club presents "Quiet Week-end", China Fleet Club theatre, 7.15 p.m.
League Tennis, "A" Division matches (Men and Women).

Coming Events

TOMORROW

Women's Home-nursing demonstration, European YMCA, 10.30 a.m.

SATURDAY

Beach Picnic, European YMCA, 2.30 p.m. (to Silverstrand Beach).
Lawn Bowls, league matches, at all clubs.

Royal Artillery, Regimental All Ranks Dance, Gun Club Hill, 8 p.m.

SUNDAY

Toc H Classical concert, 50, Macdonnell Road, Talbot House, 6.30 p.m.

Talk on "A Serviceman Abroad" by Mr. P. Addison, European YMCA, 8.45 p.m.
Beach Picnic, European YMCA, to Silverstrand Beach, 2.30 p.m.

Opening of HK Gun Club, at Kwai Chung 7-mile Castle Peak Road, 3 p.m.

MONDAY

Cocktail Party to meet the new Colonial Secretary Mr. J. F. Nicoll, Jacobean Room, HK Hotel, 6 p.m.

MAILS TO SHANGHAI

Acceptance of surface and air mail to Shanghai and North China was temporarily suspended yesterday.

The local postal authorities announced that until further notice mail for that port cannot be accepted.

Wireless communications with Shanghai, however, continued normally yesterday.

MASSAGE AND PUBLIC BATH

Two women and one man were fined \$250 each at the Justices of Peace court at Central yesterday for running a massage and public bath establishment without license.

They were Yuen Hing-ping, of 300 Hennessy Road, Man Pin, of 257 Hennessy Road and Wong Kai of 184 Johnston Road.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

Whitsun Race Meeting.

SATURDAY, 4th and MONDAY, 6th JUNE 1946.

On the First Day, Saturday, 4th June, the First Race will be run at 1.30 p.m. and the first race will be run at 2.00 p.m. on the Second Day, Monday, 6th June, the first race will be run at 1.30 a.m. and the first race will be run at 12 noon. The fifteen interval will be after the fourth race (1.30 p.m.).

Through Numbers 12 Races—\$44.00 may be obtained at the Office of the Treasurer, 1st Floor, Telephone House, also tickets for the Special Cash Sweep on the last race of the second day. Tickets in the Special Cash Sweep on the last race of the second day may be purchased also at the Club's Branch Office, No. 385, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10 each day including tax are obtainable from the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of the Member, such Member to be responsible for all child etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE.

The Treasurer's Comptroller's Office will close at 11 a.m. the First Day and at 9.30 a.m. on the Second Day. The Secretary's office will close at 11.45 a.m. the First Day and at 10 a.m. on the Second Day. Both Offices at 1st floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 27815).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$5 including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Bookmakers, etc. The men, etc., will not be permitted to speak within the grounds of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SEVERAL PASSES

Harvard passes will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY, who are requested to distribute them with flourish.

STATEMENT ON REQUISITIONING

Accommodation of various kinds was had to be requisitioned in connection with the reinforcement of the garrison, and further requisitions may be required.

In all cases every effort will be made to cause as little dislocation and inconvenience as possible by choosing buildings which are not yet occupied, and giving as much advance notice as possible.

This statement was made by Mr. C. G. S. Follows, the Financial Secretary, in the Legislative Council yesterday in reply to a question asked by Sir Man-kam Lo.

Sir Man-kam Lo had asked whether, in view of the unsettled position arising from requisitions by the Hong Kong Government on behalf of the Services of private property before the outbreak of the Pacific War, in respect of which large outstanding claims have been carried, the Government contemplated making any such requisition in relation to the expected arrival of reinforcements in the Colony.

In reply to a further question from Sir Man-kam as to whether Government would take the necessary steps to ensure that the evidence of the liability for such requisitions would be clearly accepted by the Service concerned, the Financial Secretary said that the Military Authorities, who were chiefly concerned in this matter, had been approached regarding the payment of the costs of requisitioning.

"I understand that the War Office accepts responsibility for making immediate payments in respect of compensation initially, but without prejudice to the ultimate incidence of the expenditure," added Mr. Follows.

Further Evidence Called For

An appeal against severity of sentence by Chiu Heung, alias Kum Siu-sing, was adjourned until this morning by the Chief Justice, Sir Leslie Gibson, at the Appeal Court yesterday, when Sir Leslie held that the magistrate's record of the case was uncertain, and that he proposed to hear further evidence.

Chiu was sentenced to nine months' hard labour, and was recommended for deportation April 2, when he was found guilty of larceny of 294 spoons and eight imitation silver cups, the property of the Hop Yat Church. He had also been charged with receiving stolen property and unlawful pawning.

Mr. M. Heenan was for the Crown. Appellant was not legally represented.

Two Forgers Sentenced

Pang Wing-chung, charged on six counts of forgery, was sentenced to two years' hard labour by Mr. J. Wicks at Kowloon yesterday.

Between April 21 to May 3 defendant forged the signature of Inspector Gillies for the purpose of obtaining a driving licence without a test.

A fine of \$1,500 of three months' imprisonment was imposed on Rodrigo Alvaro Vieira by Mr. W. N. Thomas Tam at Central yesterday on a charge of forging a letter guaranteeing the honouring of a Chartered Bank cheque for HK\$20,216 and with uttering it.

Y. H. Chan was for the defence and Inspector Thomas prosecuted. Mr. Chan in mitigation said that defendant had done good service during the war and that he had delivered messages to the British Embassy in Chungking via Macao. Defendant had also been with the American Intelligence and was commended for his services.

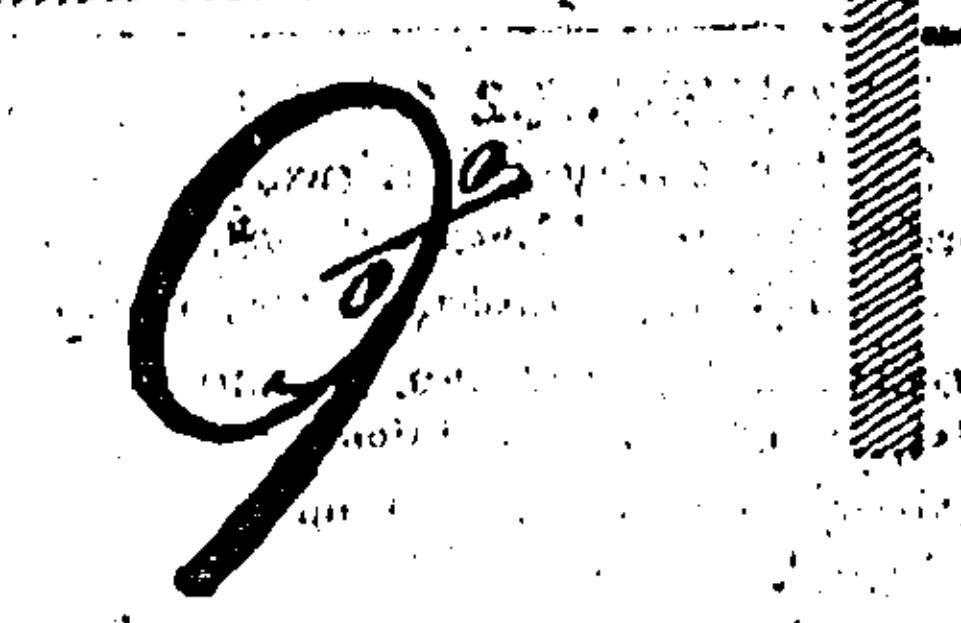
The magistrate said that defendant being a local born should set a better example to the younger generation instead of committing the offence. The magistrate said that if it was not for his age and the services he had done during the war he would not have given him the option of a fine.

NAVAL AID FUND

All ranks in Land Forces, Hong Kong, have donated HK\$1,300 to the Hong Kong Naval Aid Fund. Latest contributions follow:

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
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in the Board Room of the General Man-
agers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson
& Co., Ltd., at No. 27, Chung
Shan Road, Shanghai (O), on Thursday,
June 16, 1949, at 4 p.m. for the pur-
pose of passing the Directors' Report
and the Accounts for the year ended
December 31, 1948, electing Directors,
appointing Auditors and transacting
any other ordinary business of the Company.

Proxies in order to be valid
must be deposited not less than
forty-eight hours before the time
for holding the Meeting.

The Transfer Books of the
Company will be closed from the
third day of June, 1949, to the
sixteenth day of June, 1949, both
days inclusive.

By Order of the Directors,
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Shanghai, May 20, 1949.

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NOTICE is hereby given that
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GENERAL MEETING of
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Registered and Head Office of
the Company, 2 Chater
Road, Hong Kong, on Thurs-
day, June 2, 1949, at 12.15
p.m.

To receive the Directors' Report
and Statement of Accounts for the
year ended December 31, 1948; to
declare a Dividend; to elect
Directors; to elect Auditors; and
to transact any other ordinary
business of the Company.

The Transfer Books of the
Company will be closed from
May 28 to June 2, 1949 (both
days inclusive) during which
period no transfer of shares will
be effected.

By Order of the Board
of Directors,
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Hong Kong, May 21, 1949.

NOTICE

CLAIMS AGAINST THE
ESTATE OF A DECEASED
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It is notified that all claims
against the estate of the de-
ceased Police Officer Inspector
Ralph Fairburn, Craik Olivier
should be submitted to the
Commissioner of Police, Ad-
ministrator of the said estate,
not later than 8th June, 1949.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.

May 25, 1949.

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CLAIMS AGAINST THE
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It is notified that all claims
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the Court has by virtue of
Section 58 of the Probates Or-
dinance 1897, made an Order
limiting the time for creditors
and others to send in their
claims against the above estate
to the 11th day of June, 1949.

All creditors and others are
accordingly hereby required to
send in their claims to the un-
derdesignated on or before that
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DATED the 18th day of May,
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BILL IN THE LORDS

London, May 24.

The battle over the Government's Bill to nationalise most of the iron and steel industry moved from the House of Commons, where it has been passed, to the House of Lords today.

In this mainly hereditary Chamber, the Conservatives, who have a big majority, proposed to give the Bill a second reading—agreement in principle—but decided to put down an amendment of the nationalisation Bill.

PROPOSED
CUT IN
ERP AID

Washington, May 24.

The House of Representatives Appropriations Committee, which yesterday recommended a 15 per cent cut in Marshall aid funds, today amplified its explanation that the cut was ordered because of falling prices and increased European recovery.

In a report, the Committee said that Marshall aid countries are able to pay more for imports with their own resources because their exports have increased. Real progress has been made in European recovery, but if this programme is going to be a success, budgets must be balanced, currencies must be stabilised, production must reach a maximum, and European economy must be integrated as far as is practicable.

The Committee believes that if these results are realised in the next fiscal year there will still be more than ample funds to meet all the stated needs of the Marshall Plan countries. A strong drive to reverse the Committee's action when the Bill reaches the House of Representatives on Thursday is forecast, Reuter.

"Slavery"
Alleged In
New Guinea

Lake Success, May 24.

The United Nations Trusteeship Council have received a petition alleging that "virtual slave labour" exists in the Australian New Guinea trust area.

The writer, Mrs. Jane Wallace, said that she and her husband have been fighting for the emancipation of New Guinea natives since 1929.

She said that the full story of Australian treatment of natives would "blast Australia's fair name forever."

A contracted boy who ran away from all treatment was taken by the police, handcuffed and driven on foot through the jungle, severely flogged at the Rabaul native prison and then returned to his master, Mrs. Wallace said. The petition claimed that many men accused of manslaughter had been given only short prison terms or small fines.—Reuter.

BRITISH CONSUL
RECALLED

London, May 24.

The British Consul-General in Halifax, Cyril Marriott, has been recalled from his post and will arrive here on June 5.

He will be given another Consular post.—United Press.

All P. And O. Ships
Back In Operation

By the end of this year, all "P. and O." passenger ships that have had to undergo reconditioning will be in operation.

Two "Strath" liners will have joined their two other sisters, the Stratheden and Strathaird, and the new 28,000-ton liner Himalaya, which was launched last October, will sail from Tilbury on October 6.

The four "Strath" liners carry first and tourist class passengers; the Mooltan and Moolia are tourist one-class vessels on the United Kingdom-Australia run and the Ranchi and Chitral, both on the same route, are used exclusively for emigrants on outward voyages from the UK to "Down Under."

The Canton, Carthage and Corfu, at present maintaining the UK-India-China passenger service, cater for first and tourist class passengers.

The Himalaya is due to arrive on October 13 at Port Said, and at Sydney on November 7, thus making the voyage from London to Sydney in 32 days as against 40 before the war.

The Strathmore is due to leave London on October 27 for Australia on her first trip as a reconditioned liner, and the Strathnaver will complete reconditioning early in December.

The Chusan, now being built, will be launched from the Barclay Currie yard at Victoria, Armstrong Limited on June 28 and should be ready for service on the UK-India-China run in the late Spring or early Summer next year.

The Himalaya will carry 770 first class and 200 tourist class passengers, while the Chusan can accommodate 474 first class and 541 tourist class passengers.

The date has been fixed for May 1, 1950, when about 100 of the major firms, with a total issued capital of about £195 million, and employing about 300,000 workers, are to be taken over by the Government.

Lord Salisbury, leader of the Opposition in the House of Lords, speaking on the first day of a two-day debate, proposed that the date should be October 1, 1950—"the latest date for the general election."

"That will give the electorate a chance of having another look at it," he said. "If the electorate return the present Government to power, nothing can prevent the Bill coming into law, however pernicious we think it. The people will have to decide on it. If the present Government are not returned, then it is evident that the people reject the nationalisation of iron and steel. This is a wise and democratic amendment, and it is hoped that the Government will accept it."

"Step Towards
Communism"

"If they do not," he warned, "I will tell them here and now that on that amendment we shall stand."

Lord Salisbury said that the nationalisation of the steel industry is a "definite step towards Communism." It is the latest example of the Marxist doctrine of control by the State of all the means of production, distribution and exchange being imposed "on this unhappy country."

"Gradually, quite inextricably, free institutions and free enterprise are going to be utterly obliterated and taken over by an all-powerful State," he asserted. He claimed that the British iron and steel industry is a "model industry, which is the admiration of the world."

"The best chance an industry has today of remaining in private ownership is to be thoroughly unsuccessful and declare every year a thumping loss."

Link With Tories

Lord Salisbury, leader of the Opposition in the House of Lords, speaking on the first day of a two-day debate, said that the Government definitely believes that to reorganise and equip the industry properly and so get the maximum efficiency a single owner must replace the many, and that single owner must give undivided allegiance to the State.

The Government, he said, had discovered that there is the closest possible link between the industry and the Opposition. "If democracy is to govern, it must take over some of the basic industries of Britain. This means public ownership of the major industries, of which steel is one."

Reuter's political correspondent wrote tonight: The passing of the Steel Bill in the lifetime of the present Parliament is safeguarded by the special Parliament Act introduced by the Government.

This Act was designed to cut the House of Lords' power to delay legislation from two years to one and to operate retroactively. This means that the Steel Bill, if held up for a year by the House of Lords, will then become law regardless of their resistance.—Reuter.

EFFORTS TO SETTLE
SHIP STRIKE FAIL

London, May 24.

Renewed efforts today to get shipping moving in the West Country ports of Avonmouth and Bristol ended in failure.

The dockers are maintaining their stand in support of the striking members of the Canadian Seamen's Union.

With over seven Canadian vessels now strike-bound in the ports of London, Liverpool, Bristol, Southampton and Leith, the latest development is the expected arrival in London tomorrow of Mr. W. Buckley, Secretary of the Canadian Trades and Labour Congress.

Mr. Buckley is coming here to explain the worldwide strike by members of the Canadian Seamen's Union.

Mr. W. D. Henderson has been explaining the strike from the point of view of the Seafarers' International Union for the last three weeks. Mr. Harry Davies, President of the Canadian Seafarers' Union, has been explaining it from the point of view of the strikers themselves.

Mr. Arthur Bird, British Transport and General Workers' Union leader of the dockers, tonight told a "mass meeting" of his members in Bristol that they should return to work and should be prepared to load or unload Canadian vessels as advised by the International Transport Workers Federation when they considered the Canadian dispute.

2,000 Idle

Mr. Bird was greeted with shouts, catcalls and jeers. The meeting ended after two hours with no decision reached.

Two thousand dockers are idle at Avonmouth and Bristol. They stopped work last Wednesday demanding guarantees that no dockers would be ordered to touch the cargo of a Canadian vessel which had arrived with a seafarers' International Union crew.

Next day, the port employers announced that work would not be resumed on any vessel until the dockers were ready to work the Canadian cargo. The dockers contend that the strike has been transformed into a lock-out.—Reuter.

Sabu Denies
Paternity
Charges

Hollywood, May 24.

Sabu, the "elephant boy" of the film, today formally denied charges brought by the British ballet dancer, Miss Brenda Fuller, that he is the father of her child. "I absolutely deny the charges which Miss Fuller makes," he said. "I'm going to fight this thing with all my might, of course. I knew her once and we were friends—that's all."

The complaint charged that the 26-year-old Indian is the father of her daughter, Michaela, born in Dublin on September 12, 1948, and alleged that he refused to contribute towards the child's support.

Last October, Sabu married Miss Marilyn Cooper, a film actress, who appeared with him in "Song of India."—Reuter.

Celebration
Off The
Second Time

Singapore, May 24.

A Mr. Wu, who is being sued for part payment of a feast in honour of the birth of his twin sons, confided to the High Court that he is about to become the father of another set of twins.

This time, he said, there is going to be no celebration.

Mr. Wu, father of seven children at present is the defendant in a claim for \$1,250 (about £146) brought by the Tai Tong Restaurant of the New World Amusement Park.

The Court was told that edible birds' nests and roasted sucklings were served to the 30 guests at the banquet at which "beer and stout flowed like water."

The bill had come to \$1,900 (£221) of which Mr. Wu had paid (\$550 (£75)).

Mr. Wu said he had ordered the dinner at \$2.50 a head and had been charged at the rate of \$3. He added that it was not a very special occasion.

The Judge: Were you not rather proud of being the father of twins?

Mr. Wu: "My younger brother in Penang, too, recently had twins. I have seven children already and the doctor says my wife will shortly have another set of twins. I cannot be proud of too many children."

Mr. Wu had twin disappointments—he was ordered to pay the bill and the Court costs.—Reuter.

Prague, May 24.

Paul Robeson, the famous American Negro singer, who is now touring Eastern Europe, arrived here by air today to sing at the Spring Music Festival.—Reuter.

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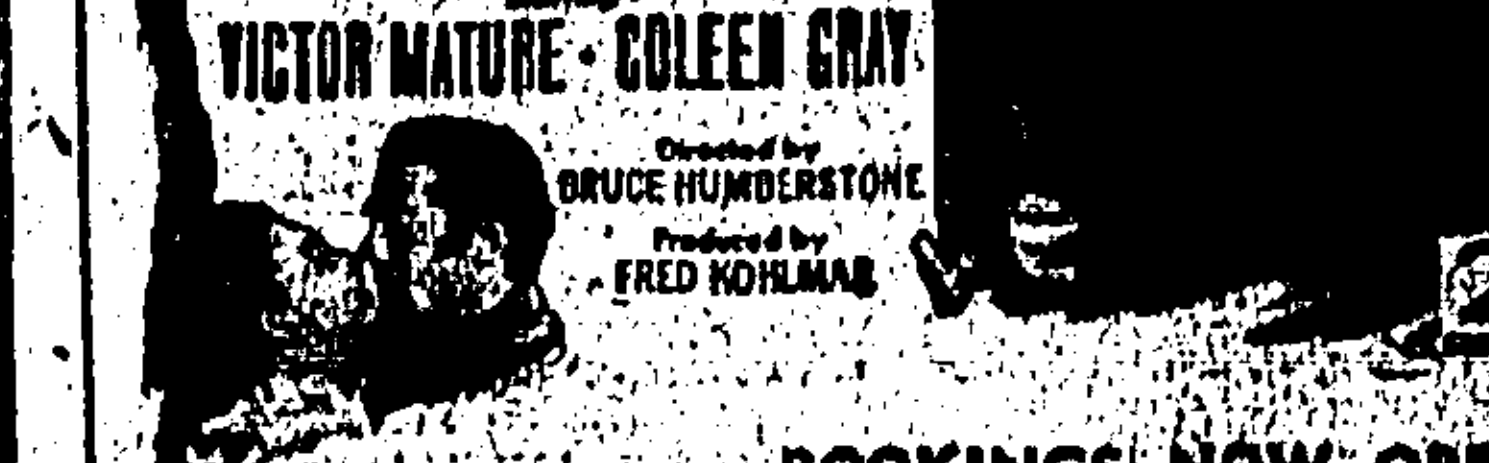
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GERMAN POLICE MOVE IN Occupation Of Berlin Railway Stations

REIMANN NOW IN U.S. ZONE

Frankfurt, May 24. The British authorities are reported to be trying to enlist American aid in arresting Max Reimann, Communist Chief of West Germany.

Reimann is wanted in the British zone to finish a three-month jail sentence which had been temporarily suspended.

He is in Frankfurt in the American zone.

American authorities said they have been approached by the British to help in Reimann's arrest. No action, however, had been taken late this evening.

American officials said that authority for such an arrest will first have to come from Berlin.

They said it is possible that the American authorities will do nothing but encourage the British to wait until Reimann has returned to the British zone.

Reimann was convicted in the British zone some months ago on charges of making inflammatory anti-Ally speeches.

British authorities in Bonn said that Reimann narrowly missed arrest on Monday night. Associated Press.

Split In Sumatra Reported

Batavia, May 24. News of a split between Republican leaders in Banka Island and the Sumatra Emergency Government, as reported by the Dutch Batavia newspaper "Dagblad" yesterday, cannot be confirmed by competent Republican sources in Batavia, a Republican spokesman told Aneta, the Dutch news agency.

The split is said to have been caused by strong contrasts between the two Republican quarters.

The spokesman, however, said that communications between the Emergency Government and Banka are very bad. If the Emergency Government report is true, the spokesman said, this would only mean a distribution of duties.

The work of Ministers who reside outside Sumatra was only transferred to Ministers living on the island.

The names of the members of the Emergency Government as mentioned in the report are right, the spokesman said, and he also confirmed that the Emergency Government is somewhere in Central Sumatra.—Reuter.

GIANT PLANE CRASH LANDS

Berlin, May 24. A C-97 strato-freighter crash landed at Gatow Airport tonight, damaging the one serviceable runway and halting the airlift traffic temporarily. The crew escaped injury.

The 73-ton strato-freighter reported it had engine trouble when still about 50 miles from Berlin on the Rhine-Main route. American Airlift Headquarters said.

British airlift traffic bound for Gatow had to be diverted to Tegel. Gatow will not be operational until tomorrow.

The American-controlled radio station in Berlin tonight appealed to all Gatow workers to report to the airport immediately to do repair work on the runway. The big Boeing aircraft was carrying 41,000 pounds of baby food into Berlin.—Reuter.

MARKET SUMMER SCHEDULES

New York, May 25. Major security and commodity exchanges in the U.S. start this week their summer schedules under which most of them will be closed each Saturday through September 24.

The first week-end closing will stretch to three days since all domestic markets close next Monday for Memorial Day observance.—Associated Press.

Eastern Sector Police Accused

Berlin, May 24. The Soviet-controlled railway police, accused by the Western Military Governors of unnecessary bloodshed in Berlin's four-day old railway strike, moved out quietly tonight when armed reinforcements of West Berlin German police began taking over all the stations in their sectors of the city.

The French military police and the German police took into custody 60 pro-Communist railwaymen who had been occupying the French sector station of Schulzendorf, according to the Western police headquarters.

With the stations now under the control of West Berlin police and the non-Communist railwaymen still on strike, observers here think the Soviet railway authorities, who operate the lines by four-power agreement, will try to run steam trains through Western Berlin.

The key electric installations remain in the hands of the strikers tonight.

Brigadier-General Frank Howley, United States Chairman of the three power Western Kommandatura, sent a letter to General Petrov at the headquarters of the Soviet-controlled Railway Administration, calling on him to withdraw immediately any Soviet troop units which have been sent into the United States sector to occupy Reichsbahn property.

Strong reinforcements of West sector police moved in on Westkreuz station in the British sector, occupied overnight by both Soviet Zone railway police and West sector city police.

Grünwald, the key terminus and site of the large marshalling yards, also in the British sector, was similarly occupied by West sector police without incident.

General Howley referred in his letter to General Petrov to the presence of three Soviet military detachments in the United States sector of Berlin.

The British, American and French military police were earlier reported to have been alerted for the take-over tonight, but are not due to participate in the operation unless Russian troops are involved or the West sector police appeal for help.

The British, American and French authorities have formally authorized Professor Ernst Reuter, the Western "Lord Mayor" of Berlin, to assume at 7.30 p.m. local time the responsibility for the maintenance of order on and about property and installations under Reichsbahn control in their respective sectors.

British Note

The British Commandant, Major-General G. N. Bourne, also informed General Kotikov, the Soviet Commandant, by letter of his intention to take over the stations in the British sector.

He wrote: "In the past three days the Reichsbahn police have exceeded their duties, have endeavoured to establish their rule on the stations of the British sector, and have opened fire indiscriminately and have caused casualties to residents of the British sector."

No incidents were reported at other stations in the Western sectors several hours after the take-over began. West sector police took over without incident two American sector stations, the Schoenberg and Wannsee, each occupied by a platoon of Russian infantry as well as railway police.

Armed Russian soldiers had occupied Wannsee station and two Soviet military units were stationed in the railway yards near the Priestewerks Bahn—the overhead railway station in Schoenberg.

In his letter to General Petrov, General Howley referred to the presence of these troops. General Howley added in his letter: "The United States Military Government has, possibly, shown too great a patience in this matter. In our endeavour to permit the Reichsbahn Executive to negotiate in a legitimate manner its differences with the striking workers."

"Extreme Brutality." However, it is now obvious that the armed police under the Reichsbahn control and your

"Little Blockade" Explained

Berlin, May 24. Lieutenant-General M. Dravlin, Russian Deputy Military Governor, said today that last week's two days "little blockade" of Berlin was caused by "irregularities in the filling in of forms by German agents."

Replying to protests by the British and American deputies he said that many vehicles had to be detained because forms were badly filled in and had to be verified at check points.

"Conditions, however, have eased considerably since May 12" (the day the blockade was lifted), he added.

His reply made no mention of future restrictions. Meanwhile, financial exports of the four occupying powers had another meeting on international trade in the American sector today. There will be a further meeting in the French sector tomorrow.—Reuter.

Jap Relief Money Cut

Washington, May 24. The House of Representatives approved a bill today to cut US\$74,250,250 from the proposed amount of money for relief and rehabilitation of Japan for the year beginning next July 1.

This action reduced to US\$420,762,760 the expenditure figure for Japan during the next fiscal year.

Of this appropriation US\$195,474,000 will go for grain food and kindred products. Agricultural supplies will take US\$38,449,000.

Sending the bill to the House floor for debate next Thursday the appropriations committee said the main reasons for the cuts are because prices have gone down since the President made his estimates and it expects prices to drop more.

The committee recommended a total cut of US\$122,300,000 in total foreign aid allocations. The committee also recommended a substantial cut in the number of civilians employed in various relief projects including ECA.—Associated Press.

marks which are worth about four East sector marks if exchanged in the West.

A number of stations in the French sector, including Tegel, which changed hands frequently in clashes between strikers and Soviet-controlled railway police yesterday, were occupied during the night by French gendarmes, a French spokesman said.

West sector police said today that only one person was killed in last night's clashes at the Zoo Station in the British sector, and not two as originally reported.

British and American military trains arrived in Berlin from Western Germany on time this morning.

Goods traffic in the Eastern zone has been thrown into complete confusion by the strike, according to German reports.

Everything had returned to normal again at the French sector border point at Wilhelmshagen by 1 a.m. local time with Western sector police and French gendarmes in full control, police headquarters said.—Reuter.

CHINA LACKS THE BASIS FOR BIG DEVELOPMENT

Melbourne, May 23. China lacks the basis for powerful industrial development, claim three authoritative Australians in a booklet, "Security Problems in the Pacific Region."

Professor W. MacDhonn Ball, formerly British representative in Japan and leader of a goodwill mission to South East Asia last year, Tristan Bussat and Gerald Packard, considered possible Pacific region changes in the next 10 to 15 years.

"Even if the resources of Southern Manchuria and North China were pooled, the combined resources would scarcely be a broad enough base for an industrial structure of middle size."

They claim that even if steel production in this area is combined with industrial complexes in India, Japan and Australia, the only significant Pacific units might not exceed more than 15,000,000 tons yearly for the next 10 years.

"In a technical age, such resources, even if geographically, it were possible to combine them, would scarcely have global significance," the experts claim.

They say that because of the disturbing implications of a Soviet Union attack on East Asia, Russia's capacity has been greatly over-rated.

At Disadvantage

"Poor communications and geographic barriers to the movement of land forces place the Soviet Union at a great disadvantage in comparison with the maritime powers in a conflict outside Soviet Asia."

They argue there are only two possible means for Soviet attack, the North Pacific and North West frontiers of Pakistan.

"The nearest large Soviet industrial centres, to the West of the Yenisei River and Central Asia, respectively, are nearly 4,000 miles away, and the cost of transporting goods is high, and road communications are poor."

This would make Soviet military operations in the plains of India most hazardous, against a technically competent force.—United Press.

Recall Of Governor Demanded

Lahore, May 24. The Working Committee of the West Punjab Muslim League today demanded the immediate recall of Sir Francis Mudie, British Governor of the Province, and the appointment of a Pakistani in his place.

Sir Francis assumed the administration of the Province last January when the Governor-General, Khwaja Nazimuddin, dismissed the Provincial Government and Legislature, because public life had been demoralised by corruption.

He has recently been criticised by a section of the Pakistani press. The Committee alleged today that the administration, as presided over by the European Governor has been indulging in intrigues against the League from within and without.

"The autocratic regime under the Governor has assumed unprecedented proportions," it added, and claimed that "special care has been taken by the elements who were the apron strings of democracy during the days of British imperialism."—Reuter.

ITALIAN FARMERS' STRIKE

Rome, May 24.

City markets today felt the first effect of the strike of an estimated 2,000,000 Italian farmers, now entering its second week. Vegetables are scarce this morning, and prices are rising for those available.

The strike, which opened in the Po Valley last week over demands for wage contracts, today affected almost all the provinces. Umbria and Tuscany, where share-cropping is widespread, remain unaffected.

The strike forces were strengthened last night by a decision of the non-Communist Labour Confederation to join the Communist-led General Confederation of Labour in the walk-out.

Scattered incidents were reported throughout the country today but none were serious. Several strike battles were reported from Northern Italy last night when landowners in Emilia tried to bring in "black-legs" from another area. The effort to dislodge the strikers failed.

In Rome itself, a strike of about 3,000 workers in 150 hotels is set for tomorrow. Just as the tourist season is getting into its full stride, a go-slow strike among the hotel workers has been in progress since the week-end.

The negotiations with hotel owners for higher pay continued today, but there seems little hope of a settlement before the strike deadline.—Reuter.

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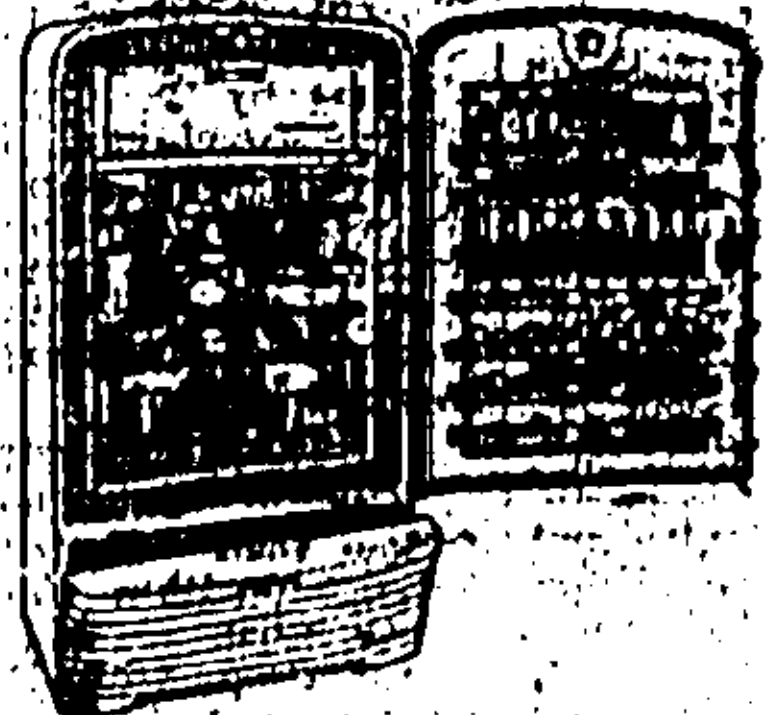
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their recent bereavement.

MARRIAGE

TRIGGS-SETH—Mr. and Mrs. C.
J. Triggs beg to announce
the forthcoming marriage of
their daughter, Elfrida Maria,
to Paul M. Seth.

FALL OF SHANGHAI

Shanghai, fourth largest
city in the world and main
trading centre of China, has
fallen to the Communists.
The "agrarian reformers"
are today lining the broad
avenues, starting with amaze-
ment and dumb resentment
at the huge, handsome build-
ings that the foreigners
erected on what was once a
perfectly good Chinese mud
flat.

It is now however an
enormous and highly com-
plex urban area, cosmopol-
itan and sophisticated,
habituated to the ways of
many nations, dependent on
trade for its very existence.
Apart from its size, the city's
economy is cracking badly
under the impact of the civil
war, with a fantastically in-
flated currency, short stocks
of staple foods, and economic
dislocation. Further, scar-
city of oil fuel is acute, and
unless supplies can be ob-
tained quickly, or coal rushed
down from the North, Shan-
ghai's power, light, water
and transport may be seri-
ously endangered. Many
public utilities and key busi-
ness firms are operated by
Europeans, and the question
of whether to co-operate or
confiscate must obviously
arise.

This is the gravest respon-
sibility Mao and his clique
have yet taken over, and
much depends on the way
they handle the exceedingly
complicated problems now
facing them. Unless they
show some hard common
sense and win the goodwill
of the inhabitants, Shanghai
will be in chaos for some
time to come.

Much will depend on the
reactions of such inter-
national bodies as the Econ-
omic Co-operation Adminis-
tration, as well as America
and Hong Kong. Three
ships carrying 20,000 tons of
ECA rice to the Yangtze were
diverted to Taiwan at the
last moment, while another
three with 10,000 tons remain
here. Even if these quotas
should be sent to the cap-
tured city, they would rep-
resent only a small quantity
of its needs, and the new rulers
must obtain supplies else-
where. There have been re-
ports of a rice shortage in
the Northern provinces be-
cause of crop failure, and the
fertile areas South of the
river are believed to have
planted much less than
usual, because of the war
situation.

There would seem no ques-
tion but that trade to and
from Shanghai must be re-
sumed, and on an orderly
basis. Whatever plans the
Communists have in mind
for the large industrial
cities, they cannot create a
new economic structure over-
night, and for this reason it
seems certain that private
enterprise, including that run
by foreigners, will be allow-
ed and in fact urged to pro-



It cannot be denied that in the
three years following the
"liberation" Catholics in Hun-
gary faced an immense double
or even triple political prob-
lem.

The first alternative was
to renounce the possibility
of forming a party which
would be the political expres-
sion of Catholic ideas. This would
have been justified by the fact that
during the period of the armistice
the country was under Russian
rule, while after the peace treaty
had been signed a Marxist
dictatorship and police state had
been established, bound to the
Eastern zone of influence and sup-
ported by a foreign power; in such
circumstances any non-Marxist
party was denied the freedom of
true political activity and of
eventually gaining governing
power. The second alternative was
to face all these difficulties and
await the opportunity presented by
a probable early dissolution in
order to express the resistance
and protest of the great masses
longing for freedom and for the
realization of Catholic principles
in public life. Finally, Hungarian
Catholicism might have attempted
the impossible and formed a party
which should attempt to combine
fire and water, creating a synthe-
sis, knowing that the
Marxist parties were aiming at
total domination, the Church saw
clearly from the outset that in
its first stage the formation of such a
party would lead to a breach in
Catholic unity, while in its final
stage it would bring about the
totalitarian rule of the Marxist
parties through the well-known
maxim of divide et impera.

Great Sacrifice
Stephen Barankovics undoubtedly
made a great sacrifice when he
tried to lead an enduring Catholic
party in the Hungarian
state of Marxist dictatorship.
Those who seek a synthesis or
endeavour to find a compromise,
even with the holiest of intentions,
in an age of rampant conflicting
forces, provoke the distrust and
suspicion of both sides. Lead-
ing Catholic circles have re-
ceived information about the Mos-
cow negotiations of Professor
Szekfu, Hungarian Ambassador to
the U.S.S.R. during 1946-47. Mr.
Vishinsky had addressed a con-
fidential letter to the Hungarian
Foreign Secretary, in which he
complained that the Catholics of
Hungary—not to say about eighty
per cent. of the whole nation—
were solidly behind the Bench of
Bishops; the negotiations and
Vishinsky's letter alike expressed
the need for the formation of a
Catholic party which should not
accept the guidance of the Church
hierarchy; Church circles were also
made suspicious by the fact that
President Tilly and Fairer
Balogh, still Under-Secretary of
State, suggested repeatedly to
Zoltan Pfeiffer and Hajdu Nemet
—two members of the Small-
holders' Party, well known for
their Catholic ideas—that they
should join the Democratic Peo-
ples' Party. On the other hand,
the party accepted the Russo-
Hungarian Treaty of Friendship
and Alliance, voted for the
Yugoslav-Hungarian Cultural
Agreement, was in frequent con-
tact with the Left-Wing parties
and informed the latter about
their views. At the same time the
party took a correct Catholic
attitude in the dispute about the

Same Conclusions
The same conclusions can be
drawn from the dissolution by the
Communist Home Secretary of the
KALOT, the Catholic Peasant
Youth Organisation, which took
place in the spring of 1946. We
know that the members and mem-
bers of this organisation played a
very active part in the anti-Nazi
resistance. Two of its leaders—
the Acting President, who was a
monk, and the General Secretary,
a layman—crossed the opposing
German front lines at the end of
the war and established contact at
an early stage both with the
occupying forces and the new De-
brecen Government. In spite of
the hierarchy's disapproval, the
KALOT joined the supreme or-
ganisation of the Hungarian Peo-
ple's Associations called MIOT
(General Council of Hungarian
Youth). They did this at the same
time as this Left Wing organisa-
tion, together with the Left Wing
Parties, attacked in the most
violent manner the so-called
"liberal" reaction, the periodical
the "Primate," the prelates, the
clergy, the Catholic schools. The
KALOT even invited to the cele-
brations of its tenth anniversary
the representatives of Russian
youth; the press even published
the rumour that the KALOT
leaders were to be invited
to Moscow. The social ideas rep-
resented by the KALOT were fun-
damentally radical. For instance,
it championed the land reform and
demanded that the peasantry—
enormously improved in culture
and education, properly or-
ganised—should be accepted as
the main ruling class of the
country. Their attitude might have
been compared to the most radical
of the 1946 democratic movements.
The KALOT always fully and
sincerely stood up to its radical
programme of reforms, in the past
it had offered frequent persecution
by the authorities. The Hungarian
gendarmes and county officials
were just as hostile to the KALOT
as to the illegal Left Wing move-
ments of the same period. There
could be no doubt of the KALOT's
genuinely democratic convictions
and its willingness to accept de-
mocracy and the coalition idea.
Yet its true essence was to create
a synthesis of Christianity and
Communism, with the latter
influence over the deepest strata of
the peasantry. When the Hmu
Secretary dissolved it, this action
emphasised the fact that in the
so-called Hungarian demo-
cracy which developed after 1946
the political aspirations of
Hungary could not find expres-
sion in true Socialist Christianity
and political democracy at the
same time. All this was revealed
by Cardinal Mindszenty's un-
wavering loyalty to his prin-
ciples. It justified him in saying
that every approach to the
regime under Communist domination
and to the Left-Wing parties
was a betrayal of the Catholic
faith in the face of the danger
point of his office. That any such
renewal of Catholic moral prin-
ciples and to the possible disre-
diting of the Catholic Church.

PART I: "THE PRIMATE OF HUNGARY"

THE MINDSZENTY STORY

Political Problems For Hungary's Catholics BY THE VERY REV. DR. NICHOLAS BOER

secularisation of Church schools,
and in the ideological refusal
to support the Communist con-
ceptions. Because of this attitude,
the Left Wing accused the Baran-
kovics Party more and more
frequently, being the "fellow of
reactionaries." After he fled to
Vienna, Stephen Barankovics him-
self admitted that Matthias Rakosi,
the Communist leader, had de-
manded of him a declaration in
the Mindszenty affair to the effect
that the Vatican's attitude in the
Cardinal-Primate's case made it
impossible for the members of the
Barankovics Party to be good
Hungarians and good Catholics at
the same time. This demand alone
fully substantiated Cardinal Mind-
szenty's contention that co-opera-
tion with the Communists, if only
in social reforms or foreign policy,
leads to the danger of "sacrificing
the dogmas of Catholic faith."
Perhaps the Democratic Peoples'
Party might have survived if the
relations between the Great
Powers had remained unchanged
after the war; if East and
West had accepted each other's
territories. But survival became
impossible the moment the world
was divided into two camps—even
if this happened without actual
war. Cardinal Mindszenty was
also right in his view that a long-
range policy could be only the
basis of intransigent loyalty
to principles. This, however, does
not alter the demand that a
modern Catholic party must com-
bine the principles of Catholic
ideology with an effort to realise
social justice to its maximum
extent. Cardinal Mindszenty did
not question this truth. But the
ultimate fate of the Democratic
Peoples' Party—voluntary dis-
solution according to the demands
of honour—justified the position
adopted by the Hungarian
hierarchy in August 1947 when
he declared that it was forced to
abstain from the support of every party.

"Progressive"
Ivan Boldizar, Under-Sec-
retary of State in charge of Hun-
garian foreign propaganda, did
not know that Catholicism knew
nothing of those orthodox, neu-
tangled progressive or retrograde
Catholicisms. The noun "Catholic"
could be qualified only with a
single adjective: "Roman." And
Rome had just recently passed
strong judgment on the so-called
progressive Catholic movements.
On January 16, 1949, the *Osservatore
Romano* published an official
statement that Franco Romano, an
Italian "progressive Catholic," had
been placed under a personal in-
terdict by the Church because he
proclaimed false doctrines. In
France the movement of progres-
sive Christians made its first
public appearance in January 1948
with the following declaration:
"The movement of progressive
Christians states that the capitalist
system, both in its principles and
in its consequences, is incompatible
with the Christian ideals of justice
and love. We declare that in our
country the French Communist
Party is the only one fighting
effectively against capitalism.
Therefore we resolve to take up
the fight against the anti-Com-
munist elements in whatever form
they manifest themselves. We
shall fight especially against the
form of anti-Communism which
opposes Communism in the guise
of religious conviction and thus,
on the one hand, the emancipa-
tion of a more equitable
society while, on the other hand, it
compromises religious ideals by
using them for political and
economic ends." The *Osservatore
Romano*, statement which says
that the progress of the Catholic
Church is to be true Catholicism;
but only the authority of the
Church can decide who is a
Catholic and who is not. "There-
fore the competent Church au-
thority declares herewith that the
principles of the progressive
Christians and their association
with godless materialism is not
compatible with Catholic doctrine
and the teachings of the Holy
See." Suhard, Cardinal of Paris,
published in the *Semaine Reli-
gieuse* on February 5, 1949, a
declaration interpreting the state-
ment of the official Church
authorities. "As we have explained
several times before," Cardinal
Suhard wrote, "the greatest prob-
lem of our age is the ending of
social injustices. We feel deeply
sympathetic to the just aims and
legal demands of the working
class, and we constantly join
our Catholic believers to take part
with all their energy and in the
strength of their Christian faith
in the development of a just and
more brotherly social order. More
than that, the Church makes it
the duty of every one of her
members to work for the removal
of the injustices caused by the
present capitalist system, in the
spirit of the social truth pro-
claimed by the Popes. But even
while examining the injustices
caused by the capitalist system,
we must state that the Church
desires more to remedy these in-
justices than to help the develop-
ment of a totalitarian and god-
less collectivism."

Great Danger
Certain Catholics desire to
follow their Christian and
activities within the Communist
Party or in constant and close
co-operation with it. This latter
solution was chosen by the move-
ment of the so-called progressive
Christians, which believes that
the progress of the Communist
aim, of which they naturally dis-
approve, can be separated from
the political and social aims of
Communism, which they consider
desirable. "We call the attention
of the faithful to the danger in-
herent in such an attitude, in a
permanent community of action
with the Communists. Such action
puts the Catholic faith in peril.
He might easily become the dup-
e of doctrines rejected by the Church
and thereby, at the same time,
contribute to the success of the
Communists. The victory of the

Communist Party inevitably means
the lessening of faith in God, the
unjust mutilation system, whose
theory has been developed by Mar-
xism itself. Too many recent
events corroborate the truth of
this conclusion.

We have had to quote the state-
ment of the competent Roman
Church authority and the declara-
tion of Cardinal Suhard, one of
the great, far-seeing figures of
French Catholicism, because in
Hungary many cited against
Cardinal Mindszenty the "bet-
ter-informed" Pope and the higher
spiritual standards of French
Catholicism. Yet these have both
reaffirmed Mindszenty's views,
which he represented with such
inflexible energy. Progressive
Christians strive for the impos-
sible when they wish to separate
the economic system from the
ideology of Communism, for in
Communism the two are one and
indivisible. Ivan Boldizar's article
was answered by a competent
Church authority; this reply was
probably composed by the Car-
dinal-Primate himself. It declared
that if we call those progressive
who serve not a single class but
a whole nation, then we must call
the Catholic Church and its Hun-
garian hierarchy fully and truly
progressive.

"Let us look at the present," it
reads. "Who raised a voice in
defence of the Hungarian people
when its official leaders vied with
each other in calling the nation
guilty and declaring that Hun-
gary was the most sinful state
of all? Who demanded that we
should make timely preparations
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VISHINSKY PLAN REJECTED

Four-Power Control For All Germany

WESTERN HOPES CHILLED

Paris, May 25.

Russia proposed in the Foreign Ministers Council on Tuesday to wipe out the West German state and return German affairs to the four-power control machinery. All three Western powers immediately rejected the proposals, made by the Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr. Andrei Vishinsky.

The breakdown of four power machinery led to the Berlin blockade. The U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, called the Russian suggestions "disappointing." "My hopes are distinctly chilled," he said.

BRITISH GRANT TO MALAYA

London, May 24.

Mr. Philip Piratin, Communist, asked in the House of Commons today why the Government proposes to double the grant to Malaya from £10,000,000 to £20,000,000 for war damage.

He inquired if this proposal will come before Parliament for approval before it operates.

He also wanted to know why "this burden on the taxpayer had been imposed in view of the substantial profits made by the tin and rubber companies" in Malaya.

The Colonial Secretary, Mr. Arthur Creech Jones, replied that the answer to the first two parts of the question were given in his announcement last Friday (when he announced the increase in the grant).

"The third part of the question is based on a misunderstanding of the war damage compensation scheme which is now being considered in Malaya," Mr. Creech Jones said.

"The scheme is designed to assist in the rehabilitation of the Malayan economy as a whole as can be seen from the correspondence with the Malayan Government,"—Reuter.

Life Prisoners Want Reform

Leghorn, May 24.

Carabinieri, summoned by short-wave radio to quell a revolt on the prison island of Gorgona, 20 miles off Leghorn, are tracking down escaped "lifers" late today among the rocky cliffs.

The revolt broke out yesterday among working convicts, who erected barricades along the cliffs in driving rain. They held out for hours, demanding reform in prison conditions, and all the while the short-wave radio called "Revolt Among Prisoners. Send Reinforcements."

Speedboats, laden with Carabinieri armed with tommy-guns, set out across the 20 miles of sea, and were followed by others in a larger boat. The Carabinieri broke the convicts' barricades, but many escaped.

Three hundred men are involved in the revolt. Most of them returned to their cells without trouble, and 37 others who resisted were captured after a short chase.—Reuter.

The first of the long-awaited Soviet proposals in this fourth effort of the Foreign Ministers to reach a German settlement were outlined by the Western power press officers after a meeting of nearly three hours. It was the second session of the conference. In effect, Mr. Vishinsky's plan would:

1. Nullify the West German state at Bonn by putting German control in the hands of a German State Council under the Allied control council. This German central government body would be formed from the Communist economic regime of East Germany and the economic council of West Germany.

2. Give implied Western recognition to the hand-picked East Communist regime by giving it an equal voice in control of German affairs.

3. Strip from the Western Germans the self-governing powers they have received in the Western occupation statute by going back to the at present defunct Allied control council. Russia created this body by walking out in March, 1948.

4. Call for a new election in strike-term Berlin of a government for all the city. (German Communists in 1948 drove the elected city government from the City Hall in the East sector, set up their own East Berlin regime chosen at a snap election in a mass meeting, and boycotted the regular Berlin election so that only a West Berlin government was chosen.)

Ruhr Authority
5—Wipe out the Ruhr authority which the three Western powers, with Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg, have set up. Russia would substitute control of the big four plus countries bordering Germany—Poland, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Holland, Belgium and Luxembourg—and representatives of German economic organizations.

No change in Russia's demands for £2,500,000,000 in reparations from Germany was indicated. Mr. Vishinsky said Russia's position on that item is well known.

The Soviet Foreign Minister led up to his plan with a long speech in which he accused the Western powers of departing from the principles laid down in the conferences at Yalta and Potsdam, and partitioning Germany. However, he did not indulge in the acrimonious statements on these points which have characterized past conferences.

His proposition, in a short written statement, contained two main points. The first would re-establish "the activity of the Allied control council in Germany on its previous basis" as the supreme power, and re-establish the inter-Allied Kommandatura in Berlin "for the co-ordination of all city measures".

Western Rejection
The second point would set up a "single German central body" using as a basis "German econo-

mics existing at present in the East zone and West zone," and re-establish the "all Berlin magistrat" or government. The question of a date for Berlin elections would be settled by the Berlin Kommandatura.

Whether Mr. Vishinsky's proposed central German body would exercise political or economic functions is not clear from his statement. However, he said in his speech that the economic unity of Germany is not possible without political unity.

Mr. Acheson rose at once after Mr. Vishinsky had finished and called the programme a "back to Potsdam policy". He compared it with a patient who had the use of his limbs restored after helplessness condition.

He stressed the determination of the three Western powers not to undo the progress they had made in the recovery of their zones.

He traced the growth of West Germany as a democratic political body with a gradual return of powers to the Germans and pointed to the four power control machinery as a failure.

Sterilisation

France's Robert Schuman spoke next and asserted that if Four Power unity in Germany is to be re-established it should not be done by reverting to the Four Powers starting point and repeating old mistakes.

That, he said, would be to sterilise what the Western Powers had achieved in their zones.

The British Foreign Secretary, Ernest Bevin, who was in the Chair, claimed that to go back to Potsdam would take both Germany and the Four Powers back to the stage they were in even before the Potsdam Pact was signed.

Mr. Bevin broadly repeated the arguments used by Mr. Acheson and M. Schuman.—Associated Press.

VOLCANO ACTIVE

Medan, May 24.

Sumatra's biggest volcano, Merapi, showed signs of activity this morning when a heavy smoke cloud was thrown high into the air. The cloud reached a height estimated at more than 2,000 metres.

The population at the foot of the mountain shows no signs of uneasiness.—Reuter.

T.V. Soong In France

Paris, May 24.

The former Chinese Premier, Dr. T. V. Soong, has arrived in Paris from Hong Kong.

A spokesman at the Chinese Embassy said that he has come to Paris to rest and be treated for a minor stomach ailment. He was accompanied by Madame Soong and a secretary.

He made the trip from China by plane to Brussels and motor to Paris on Sunday. Almost immediately after his arrival, he went to the country near Versailles.—Associated Press.

JAPANESE POW'S

Tokyo, May 24.

The Japanese Government today asked General Douglas MacArthur to take such action as will help clarify the situation regarding the repatriation of Japanese prisoners of war from Soviet-controlled areas.

The Government said the Japanese people have learned with a mixed feeling of hope and anxiety that Russia will repatriate 95,000 Japanese by November. For this reason, the Government said, it is constrained to ask General MacArthur to take action.—United Press.

PAINTER DEAD

Madrid, May 24.

The famous painter, Eduardo Chicharro aged 66, died here today of bronchial pneumonia.—United Press.

Indonesia Minister Calls On Quirino

Manila, May 24.

The Indonesian Foreign Minister, Dr. Alexander A. Maramis, called on President Elpidio Quirino this morning.

He paid his respects and extended the "internal and neighbourly greetings of President Soekarno of Indonesia and its people."

Dr. Maramis was accompanied by Mr. Charles Thambu, acting secretary-general of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Horsono Rekislatmodjo, Indonesian Trade Representative in the Philippines, Wilhelm Pesik, Press Relations Officer, and the Philippine Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Felino Neri.

The Indonesian statesman informed the Philippine President of his country's war-ravaged conditions and expressed gratitude for the way the Philippines has responded with alacrity to his country's call for aid.

He also expressed Indonesia's indebtedness to the Philippines "both for her fearless espousal of our cause in the Security Council of the United Nations and for her numerous acts of friendship on Filipino soil itself."

President Quirino responded by reiterating Philippine sympathy for the Indonesian cause.

Mr. Neri said later that President Quirino suggested that the Indonesian delegates put in concrete form their request for a 1,000,000 pesos loan with which they intend to buy medical supplies and textile surplus materials. He indicated that the talks will take several weeks.

In the meantime the Indonesian representatives will be allowed to inspect surplus property depots and earmark the goods they want.—United Press.

U.S. MAY INCREASE JAPANESE POLICE FORCE STRENGTH

Washington, May 24.

The State Department spokesman, Lincoln White, today confirmed that studies are being made on increasing the Japanese police force. He denied that there is any intention of forming a Japanese "army."

White commented at a press conference following press reports originating here that the formation of a Japanese defence force is under consideration.

There is no intention, he said, of forming or allowing the formation of any national defence force for Japan. However, he said, it is a well-known fact at present that the Japanese police force is inadequate to perform its duty in the country.

Mr. White's announcement is the first official indication that the United States is seriously studying the plan long advocated by Lieutenant General Robert Eichelberger, who retired last December from his post as commander of the U.S. occupation ground forces in Japan.

General Eichelberger has repeatedly urged that a Japanese police "constabulary" be organized and armed for purposes of internal security.

A Reversal

Today, when informed of Mr. White's announcement, General Eichelberger smiled broadly but declined to comment.

General Eichelberger's advocacy of a 150,000-man police force was first made public in an interview with the United Press last year. Since then, the former commanding general of the Eighth Army has repeated his ideas in public speeches.

However, State Department sources have hitherto been reported as opposed to the idea.

CHINESE REDS IN BURMA

Rangoon, May 24.

Tighter precautions have been taken along the Chinese-Burmese border because of large-scale Chinese guerrilla activity, the Burma Army Radio announced tonight.

The guerrillas are approaching Sado, 30 miles East of Myittha, the State capital of the Kachins, the Radio said. About 1,000 Chinese Communists are active in villages near the Upper Burma district of Bhamo.

Tonight's communique by the Burma Army Headquarters said that combined rebel forces—army deserters, White Band PVOs and Communists—are massing near Bassein, the Irrawaddy port 90 miles West of Rangoon.

"Government forces have captured Ngaputaw, a town South of Bassein, without resistance and rebel concentrations in the area were heavily bombed, the communique added.

North of Rangoon, the Karens are moving East from Naung-U before a Government advance along the railway.

The North Burma Army Headquarters at Meiktila has been reinforced because of large-scale rebel activity in the area, the communique said. Three hundred rebels are said to be concentrated in a Buddhist monastery at Tada, 60 miles North of Meiktila.—Reuter.

FRONTIERS OPEN

Damascus, May 24.

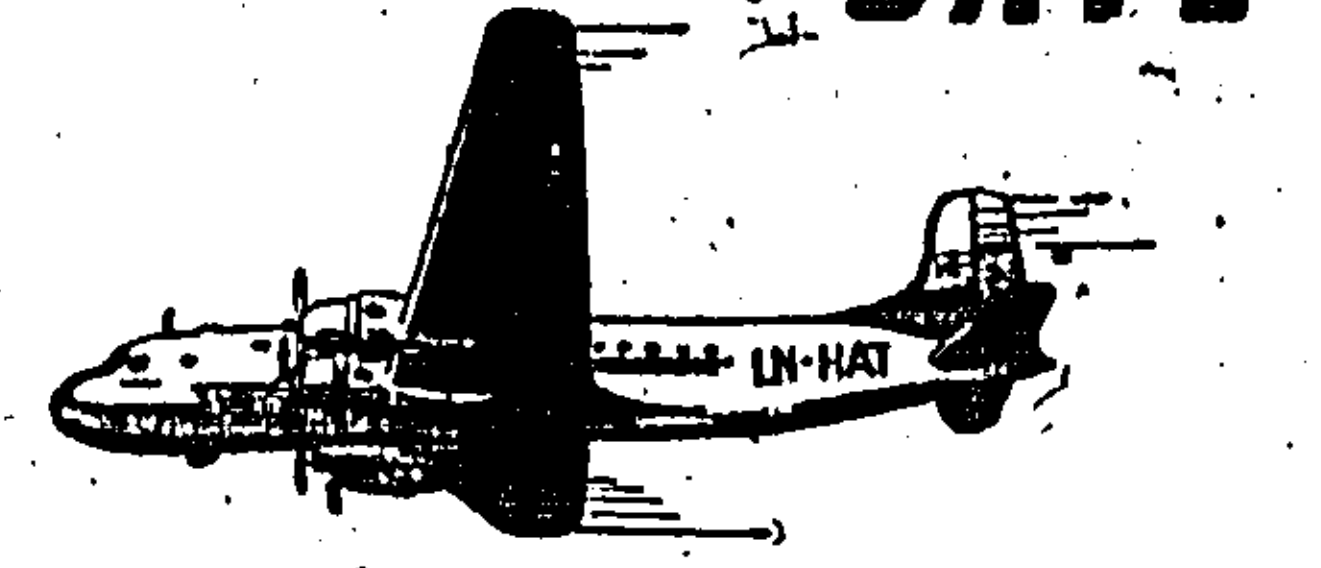
The Syrian-Lebanese frontiers were re-opened today after 24 hours.

Syria had closed the frontier because a Syrian officer and three soldiers were detained in the Lebanon accused of the murder of a pro-Jewish spy. Syrian and Lebanese representatives are to meet on the frontier to negotiate.—Reuter.

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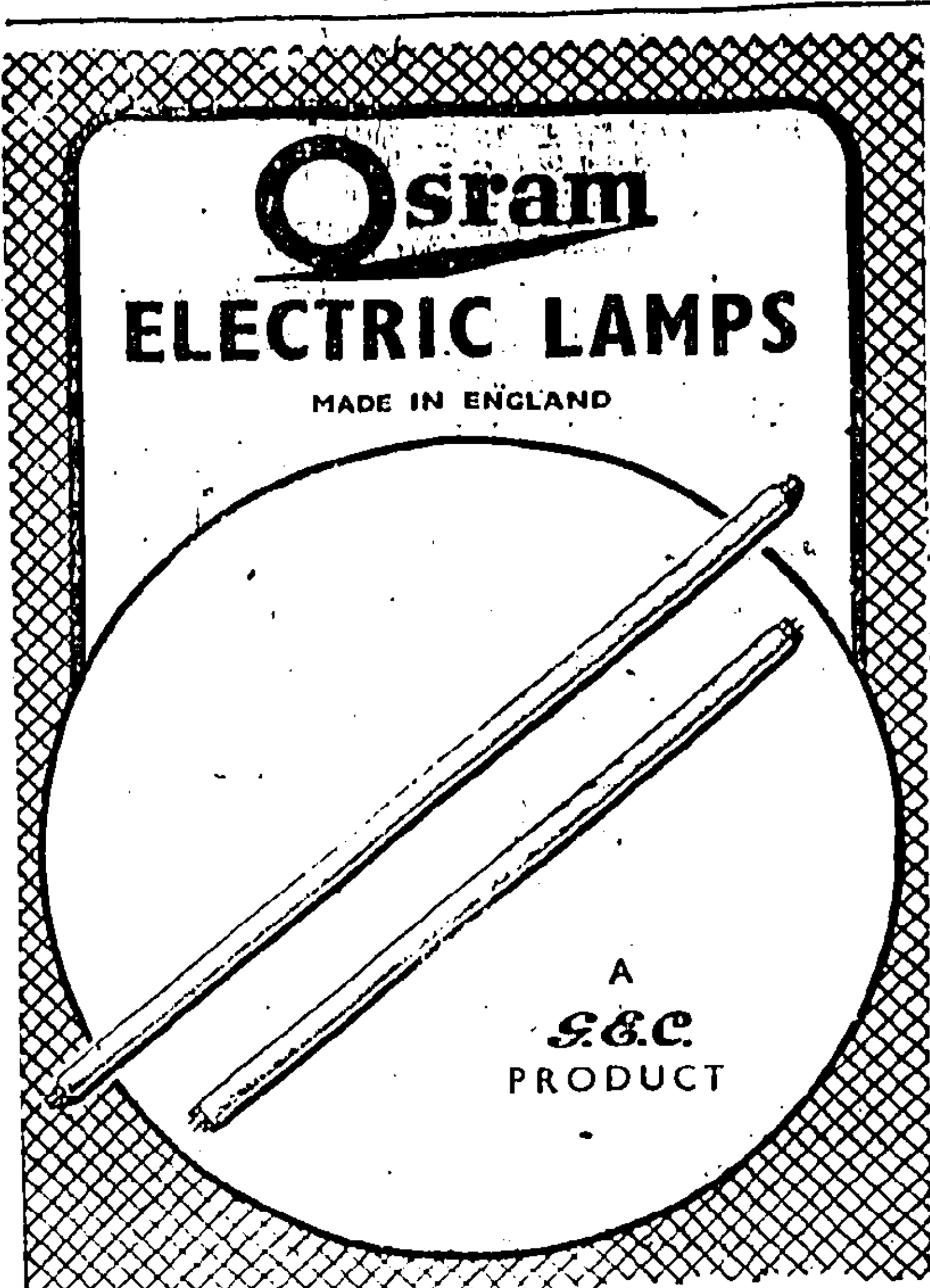
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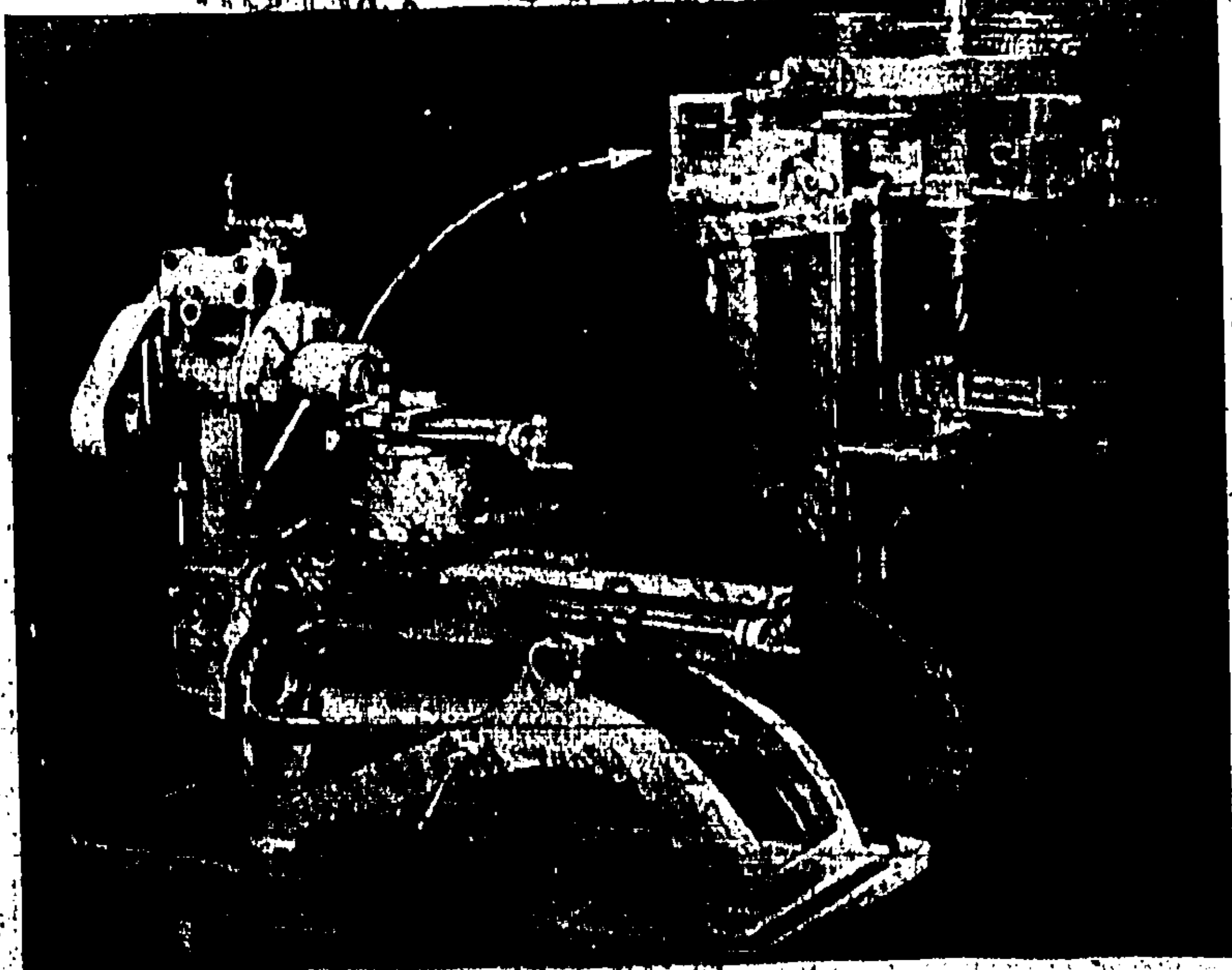
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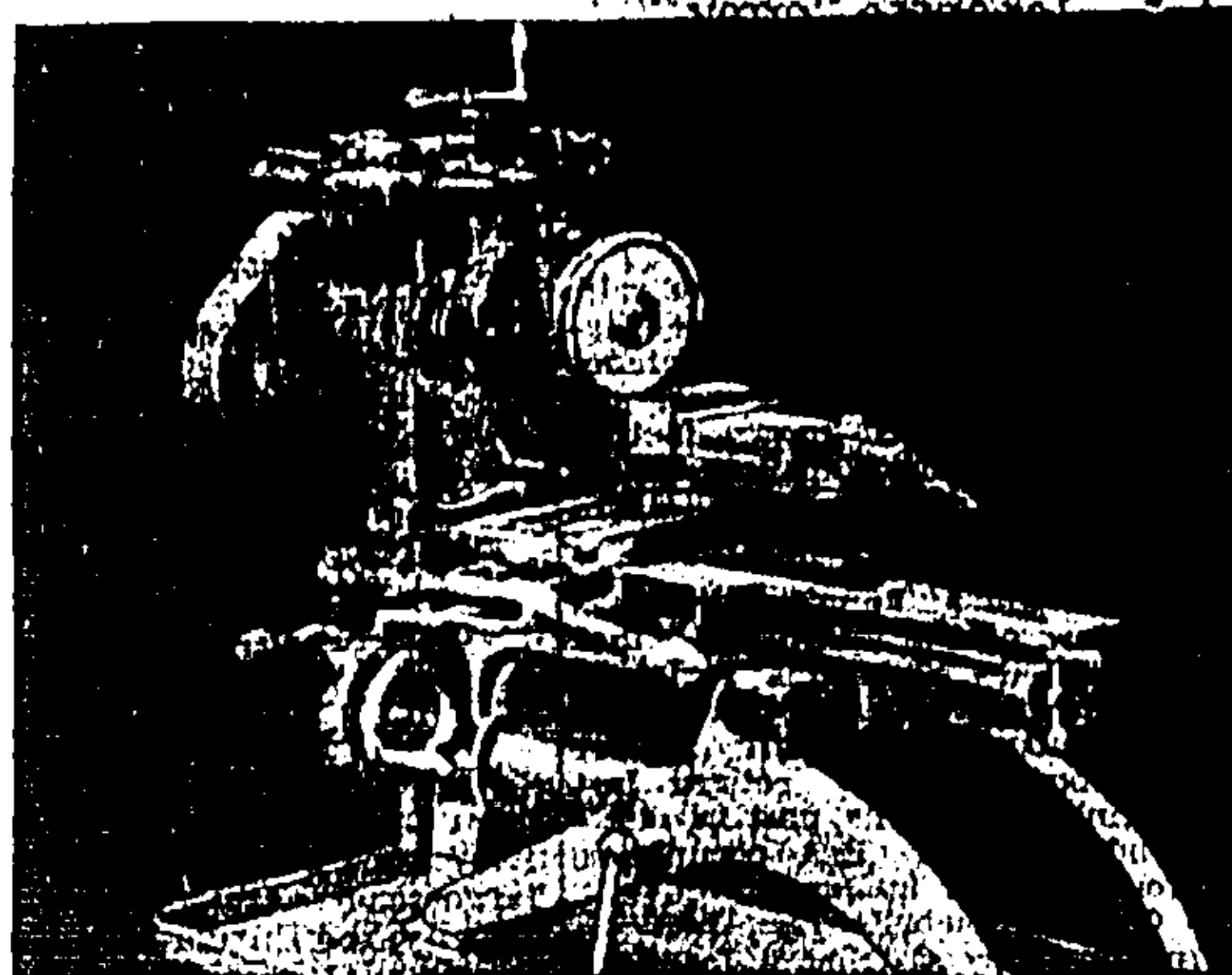


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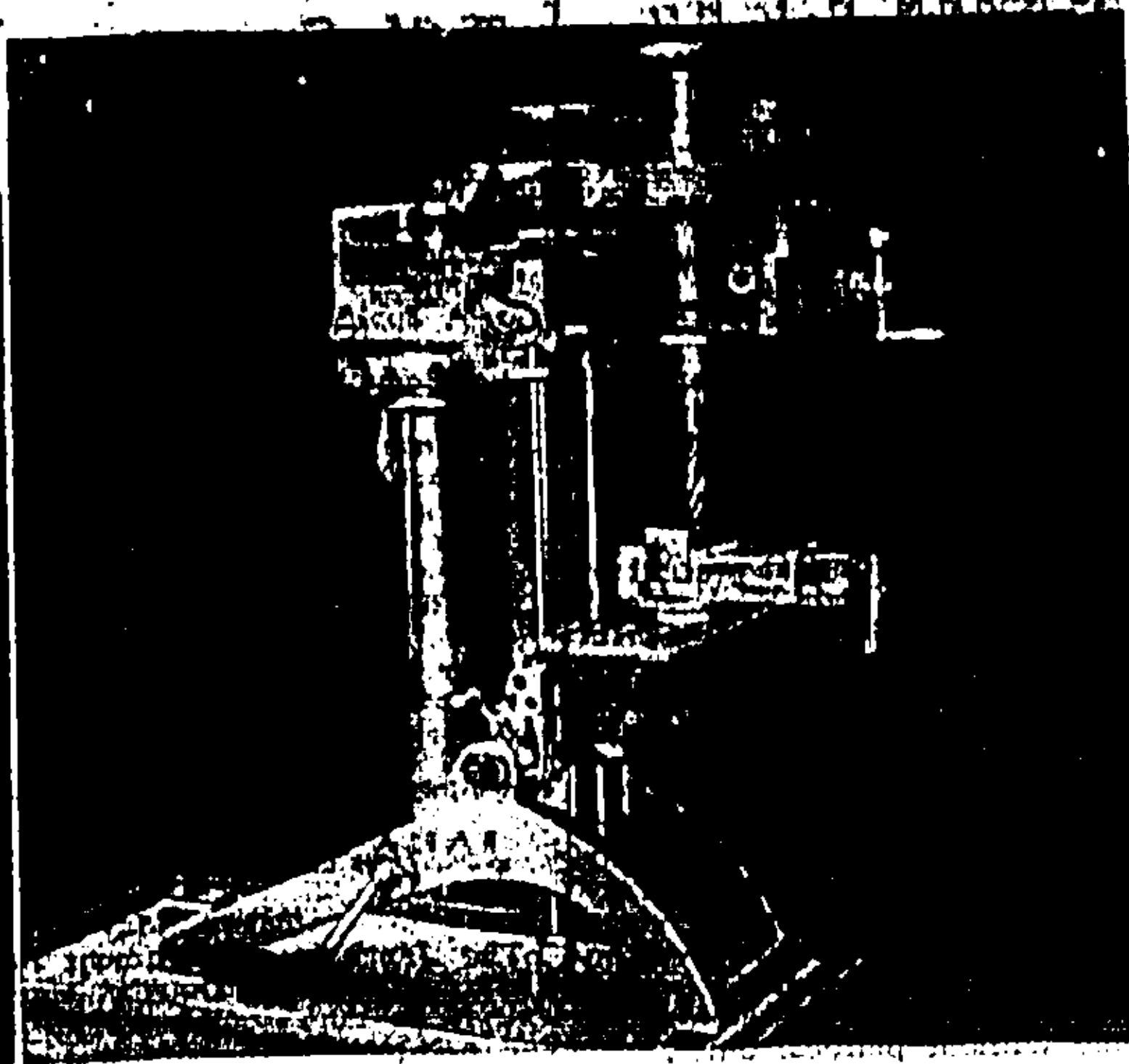


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While radar is used extensively for marine and air navigation in all highly industrialised countries, there are only very few radar-equipped vessels and aircraft in Hong Kong. For the purpose of pushing radar, a new radar company, the Radar Radio And Radar Engineering Company, has been recently established in this Colony and is ready for business.

The company is located at Room 222, Wang Hing Building, 10, Queen's Road, Central, and has been formed by several returned Hong Kong radar expert and experienced radio engineers from Great Britain and America, all of whom have a high degree of technical proficiency.

Besides specialising in radar engineering, they are also well experienced in marine communication equipment, electro-medical apparatus, radio receivers, sound system and household electrical appliances.

A Thousand Dials To Test World's Largest Airliner

By MICHAEL GRANT

A thousand instruments, occupying more than half the fuselage of Britain's 130-ton Bristol Brabazon airliner, will watch her during the taxiing and flying tests which will be taking place shortly.

To save time in checking performance all instrument readings will be recorded photographically or plotted automatically for analysis in the flight research laboratory. The instrument dials are grouped in 12 panels.

For the photographic recording of readings, two types of cameras are being employed. For those panels where readings will remain approximately constant during one condition of flight the periods between photographs will vary between 10 minutes and two seconds.

Where the rate of change of dial readings will be higher photographs may be taken at as high a rate as four a second. Two mirror galvanometer oscillographs will record low-frequency vibrations, such as those caused by aerodynamic forces and steady strains in the structure.

High frequency vibrations, such as those caused by engine forces will be recorded by cathode ray oscillographs. Three lamp recorders, each containing 120 lamps, will keep a continuous check on the operation of the various emergency services.

Finally, to cover special needs which will inevitably arise during the tests, a number of portable and self-recording types of instruments have been provided. By the end of the tests a detailed record of the aircraft's behaviour at each stage of tests will be available.

Largest Funnel

The Cunard White Star Line 34,000-ton Caronia, which is the world's largest passenger ship to be built after the war, is fitted with the largest funnel ever placed aboard a ship.

It has a fore-and-aft measurement of 53 feet—nine feet longer than those on the Queen Elizabeth.

An idea of the funnel's size may be gathered from the fact that the top section, which is only one third of the whole, could house two tram-cars or a large prefabricated house.

It contains machinery destined to collect and disperse smoke from the main engines and dust from public rooms and cabins. It has sufficient internal stiffening to eliminate the necessity of supporting stays. By doing away with these stays and fitting a tripod mast passengers are given uninterrupted views. They are provided also with the largest sports deck area on any liner afloat.

New Packaging Materials
United Kingdom manufacturers are paying increasing attention to the production of light, translucent and attractive packaging materials which not only preserve food and equipment but also play an important part in successful salesmanship.

One of these new packaging materials, recently marketed in Britain, is a transparent, lightweight, and durable material known as "Clarifol". It is made by British Celanese, Ltd., of Cheshire, England, and is available in various thicknesses and sizes. It is particularly suitable for packaging foodstuffs, as it is clear, does not dry out, and is resistant to moisture and oil.

It is also waterproof, grease-proof, odourless, tasteless and mould-proof. Non-logging, the material remains transparent and crisp even under refrigeration, and when wet, does not soften or weaken.

A new range of packaging material is obtained by laminating "Clarifol" to metal foil, glassine paper, cardboard, etc. By a combined lamination of "Clarifol" to cotton scrim and to heat seal coated .001 inch aluminium foil, British Celanese have developed a highly moisture-vapour proof barrier material used for packaging instruments, electrical equipment, and for export.

"Plofilm" is another packaging material for the manufacture of which a new factory was recently opened in Wolverhampton by Goodyear Tyre and Rubber Company (Great Britain) Ltd., 50, Stannburgh Street, London, N.W. 1.

The material can be used for wrapping anything from aircraft engines to sandwiches. Even liquids can be packed in it. It is airtight, rubbery, food against air, moisture, and, of course, dirt, almost indefinitely. Fruit and even flowers can travel long distances and arrive fresh and intact.

The material, technically a transparent, rubber hydrochloride produced by casting from a solvent solution, is unbreakable, does not crack, puncture or wrinkle. Half of the output will be exported.

The Double-Deck Train
In an effort to relieve rush-hour congestion on the London suburban railways, an experimental double-deck train will be put into service between London and Dartford next October.

A double-deck electric train of eight coaches will have seats for 1,000 passengers, an increase of 31 per cent over an ordinary eight-coach train. In a trailer (non-motor) coach there will be six double compartments, each with 11 seats on the lower deck and 11 on the upper. Thus one door will lead to 22 seats.

The lower compartment will be nearly level with the platform, and the upper deck will be reached by stairs in the centre of the lower compartment.

Because of the close clearance of bridges and tunnels the windows for the upper deck will be fixed, and electrically operated fans will ventilate this part of the coach.

Doors and windows of the lower deck will be of the ordinary kind. Strip lighting over the seats will help passengers to read without interference from the shadow of the upper compartment. The windows of the lower deck will have to rise from their seats with care to avoid striking their heads on the protruding bulk of the upper compartment. In the event of passengers leaving the train the lower deck coaches will have to be cleared of passengers before the upper deck can be used.

Marconi Sets For Two New Motor Ships

The Hibernia and Cambria, the two new motorships built by Harland and Wolff, Ltd., for the British Railways' Holyhead-Dun Laoghaire service, are both fitted with radio communication equipment and aids to navigation supplied by the Marconi International Marine Communication Company, Ltd.

The navigation of these fast ships in the busy waters of the Irish Sea will be aided by Marconi Radiolocator marine radar equipment, Lodestone direction-finders, and Visagraph Echometers.

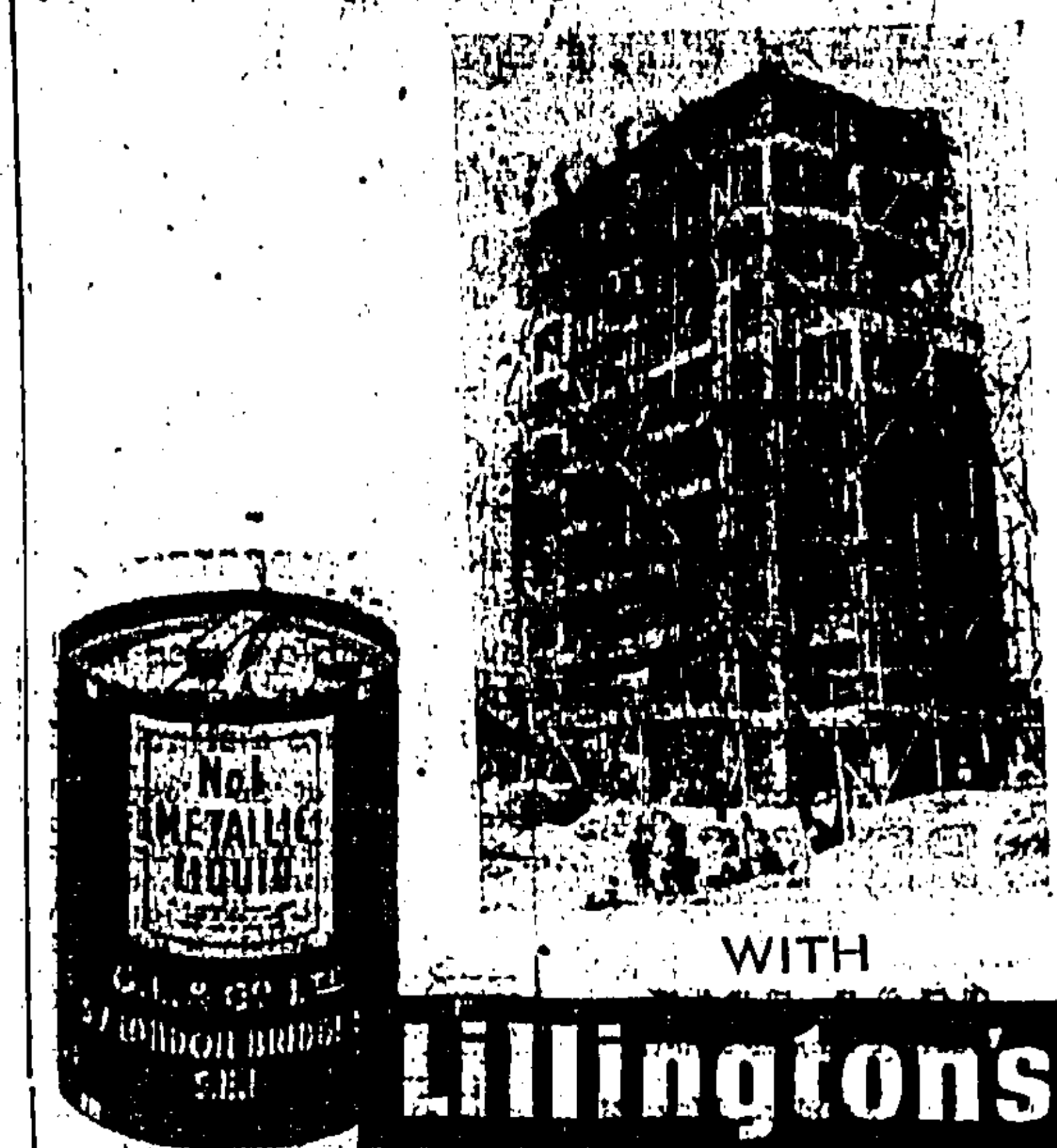
The "Radiolocator" presents a picture of an area of up to three or 30 miles radius round the ship in all conditions of visibility, and accurate bearings taken with the Lodestone can be used to pinpoint the vessel's position in relation to coast stations.

The Visagraph depth-sounding equipment is a combined version of the Marconi Scavina and Seagraph Echometers, and provides the navigator with either a visual indication or a permanent record of soundings, as required.

The Marconi communication equipment of the Hibernia and Cambria provides for transmission and reception of telegraphy and telephony. For telegraph transmission each ship is provided with a Marconi Reliance medium wave transmitter operating at frequencies in the band 365 to 625 Kc/s.

Six spot frequencies are available in this band. Both ships are fitted with the new Marconi "Mercury" long and medium wave receiver, having a frequency range of 15 to 40 kc/s and 100 kc/s to 4 Mc/s, which permits reception of transmissions from the stations of the Consol position-fixing system in addition to normal traffic, weather reports, etc.

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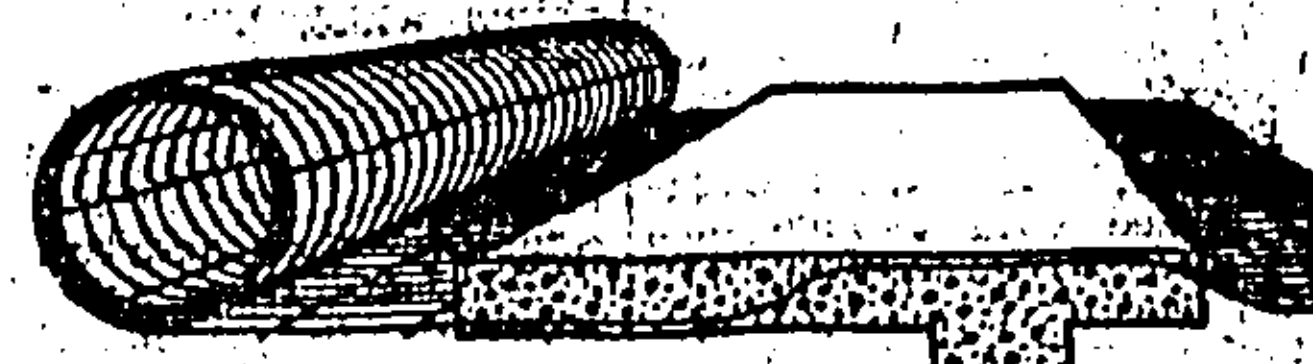
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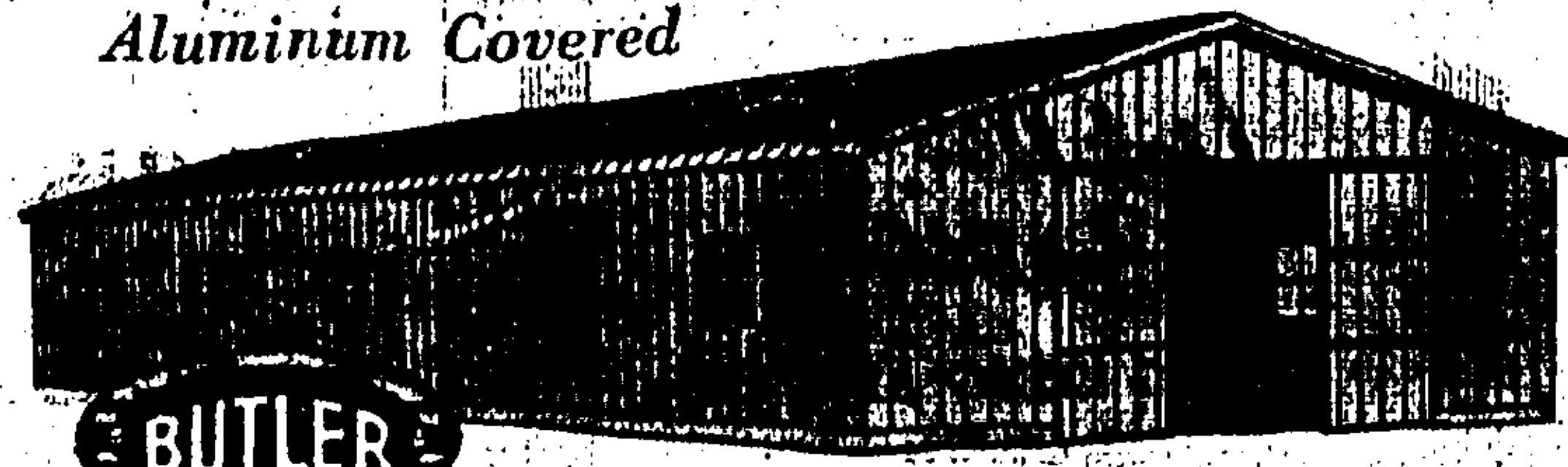
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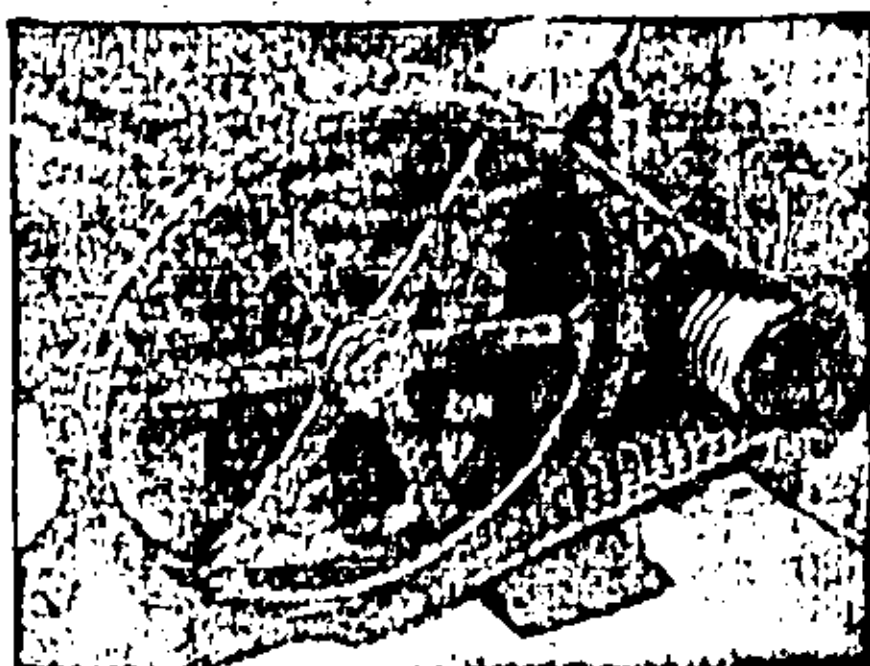
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PAKISTAN ACCUSES INDIA

Lake Success, May 25.
Pakistan today asked that the United Nations order a halt to the Indian "persecution and discrimination" of the Moslem population in Hyderabad.

Pakistan's Foreign Minister, Zafarullah Khan, also called for a general poll of all residents in that state who opposed accession to the union of India. He said these steps should be preparatory to a plebiscite in Hyderabad under United Nations supervision to determine whether the population approves last September's "forced accession."

The Minister tried to disprove India's contention that the Hyderabad issue is an internal matter and asked the Council to get a ruling from the International Court of Justice if members doubt the Council's jurisdiction.

The Pakistan Foreign Minister alleged that the Moslem population in Hyderabad had been victims of brutal Indian suppression since the Indian Government took over the state last autumn.

Sir Zafarullah Khan told the United Nations Security Council that the Nizam's Government "did everything possible" to avert a conflict with the Indian Government before being occupied by the Indian Army.

Under the Indian military administration, he said, Hyderabad's Moslems suffered "indiscriminate slaughter, loot and arson."

He then read despatches published by various newspapers, including the "Times of India," reporting numerous such incidents. He said these had occurred as recently as two or three months ago.

Sir Zafarullah ridiculed an Indian report that freedom of entry and exit had been restored in Hyderabad. He challenged the Council to check his charge that an Indian lawyer had been refused permission to go to Hyderabad to defend the state's former Prime Minister.

The Pakistani Government recently suggested to the Indian Government, he said, that the Pakistani High Commissioner go to Hyderabad to make a personal investigation into the status of Moslems. He said New Delhi refused permission for the visit.

Sir Zafarullah also cited press despatches which, he said, disprove Indian claims that censorship has been lifted in Hyderabad.—United Press.

EUROPE TRADE SURVEY

Geneva, May 24.

A United Nations survey said today that Eastern Europe offers the Marshall Plan countries the best alternative sources of supply for imports from the dollar area.

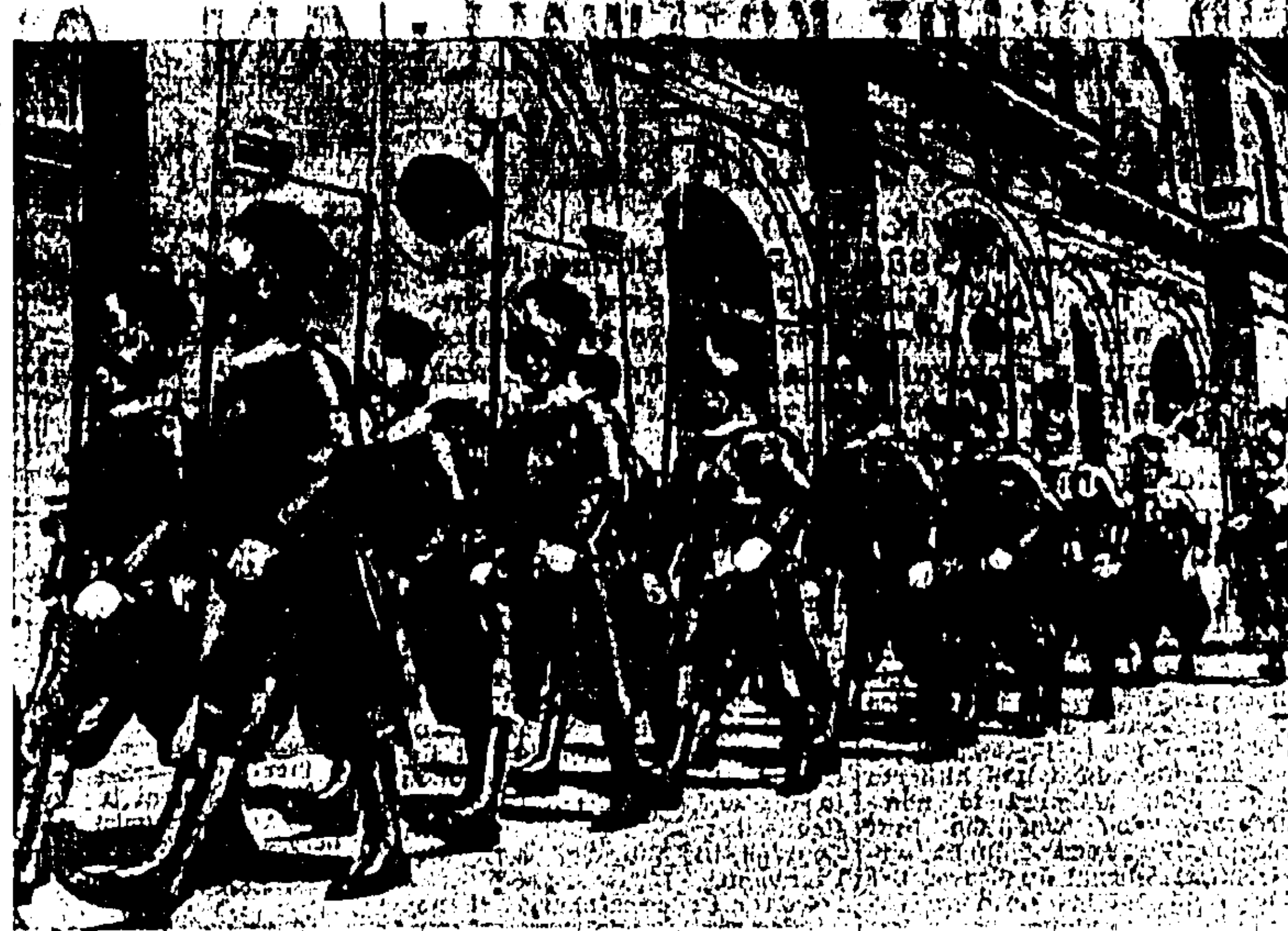
The survey was prepared by the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe for the second meeting of its trade committee. The United States, Russia and 23 European countries are represented.

The Committee will ask trade information for the European governments to lay the basis for an increase of trade between East and West Europe.

The survey said estimates made by Western European countries on imports from the East in the next few years are over-cautious.

It said: "In order to effect a shift of imports from the dollar area, Western European countries must turn to Eastern Europe as the best alternative source of supply."

It added that the Marshall Plan countries must revive their planned imports from Eastern Europe upward by between \$500,000,000 and \$1,000,000,000.—United Press.



On the anniversary of the Massacre of the 7000 Swiss Guards by troops of the German Emperor in 1527, new recruits to the Swiss Guard swore their ancient oath of allegiance to His Holiness the Pope. The Guard originated in 1506, when 150 Swiss soldiers went to Rome and offered their services to the Pope. In 1527, they fought to the last man against the Landquenets, who were attacking Rome. Pope Clement VII was saved by their fight. He went through a secret passage from the Vatican to Castle Saint Angelo, then the stronghold of Rome. The Guard now consists of 100 Swiss men, commanded by a Colonel and five officers. Tradition has it that their present rescue uniform was designed by the famous artist, Michelangelo. Photo shows a contingent of the Guard marching into the Belvedere courtyard of the Vatican. (Associated Press Photo).

JAPAN EXPECTED TO DOUBLE HER EXPORTS

Washington, May 24.

U.S. Army planners of Japanese economic life expect Japan's exports almost to double next year.

This is disclosed in statistics submitted to the House appropriations committee.

The committee is considering the amount of money to be made available for economic rehabilitation of occupied areas.

The estimate fixes probable exports for the year beginning July 1 at \$150,750,000. This compares with \$93,750,000 estimated for the year ending June 30 and an annual average of \$172,500,000 for the four years ended in 1934.

More than half the predicted total will be in textiles. Cotton fabric is expected to make up a larger part of textile exports, or \$40,250,000 worth, with silk manufactured goods in second place at \$8,500,000.

Raw silk is placed third in expected exports at \$8,250,000 and cotton manufactured goods fourth at \$7,500,000.

Machinery

Other expected exports include machinery and metal products totalling \$35,750,000 of which \$11,500,000 is to be in industrial machinery and equipment, \$8,750,000 in land transportation equipment including bicycles, \$7,500,000 in vessels and \$6,000,000 in mill products and metal manufactured goods. Chemicals, dyes, paints and drugs account for another \$3,250,000 of the expected export total while the remainder is to cover a long list including toys and novelties, optical goods, foods, wood and bamboo articles, pottery, china, glass, paper products and seafood.—Associated Press.

SHADE OF A NEW CAESAR

Lisbon, May 24.

The Portuguese Foreign Minister, Senhor Jose Caeiro da Matta, told the Central Africa International Transport Conference, which began here today, that the "shade of a new Caesar from the East is covering the world."

"Under these circumstances, it is incumbent upon us all to make common efforts to establish human solidarity," British, Belgian, French and South Africa are taking part in the seven-day conference, which has been convened by Portugal to co-ordinate transport facilities in Central and South Africa.—Reuter.

Eisler Arrest Denounced

Vienna, May 24.

Hans Eisler, himself interrogated once by the U.S. Congress Committee on Un-American Activities, today denounced Washington's action concerning the arrest of his brother, Gerhard Eisler, from the Polish ship Batary at the British port of Southampton last week.

Mr. Eisler, at a press conference at the Polish Legation here, attacked the former Chairman of the Un-American Activities Committee, Mr. J. Parnell Thomas, and Congressman, Mr. John H. Rankin.

He added that but for them there would be no case against Gerhard Eisler.

(German born, Gerhard Eisler, a Communist, stayed away on the Polish ship Batary while under bail in New York. Later he was arrested by British police at Southampton on an extradition request by the United States.)

(He appeared before a Southampton Magistrate who remanded him to the Bow Street Court in London, the only court in England which can try extradition cases. Eisler appeared at Bow Street again today and was remanded in custody until Friday).—Reuter.

PALESTINE PROPOSALS

Lake Success, May 24.

New compromise proposals, designed to settle Syrian-Israeli differences, are expected to be presented to the United Nations by the acting United Nations Palestine Mediator tomorrow or the next day.

Brigadier General William Riley, Chief of Staff to Dr. Burtche, made this statement today after working with the Mediator on the proposals. The main point of difference between Syria and Israel hinges on the exact armistice demarcation line. Both sides General Riley said, are jockeying for political boundaries.

After the proposals have reached the respective Governments, General Riley hopes that the respective delegations will resume their on-the-spot talks, which were halted recently.

Replying to a question, General Riley said that he sees no signs whatever of a possible flare-up in the Palestine fighting.—Reuter.

SERVICE FOR FORESTAL

London, May 24.

A memorial service is to be held at St. Mark's Church, North Street, London, tomorrow for Mr. James Forrestal, former United States Secretary of Defense, who fell to his death at the Navy hospital in Bethesda, Maryland, on Sunday.

The service will be conducted by the United States Navy Chaplain stationed at the Headquarters of the United States Naval Forces, Eastern Atlantic and the Mediterranean.—Reuter.

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SIR ROBERT KOTEWALL: AN APPRECIATION

(By K. K. LI)

Born on February 14, 1880, Sir Robert Hormus Kotewall, Kt., CMG, LL.D., J.P., who died on Monday night, was the son of the late Hormusjee Rustumjee Kotewall, yarn merchant. He was educated first at the Queen's College and later at the Diocesan Boys' School.

He entered the Hong Kong Civil Service after a competitive examination from which he emerged first.

From his early youth Sir Robert showed great promise, and never spared himself in the service of the Colony and of his fellowmen. During his service with the Hong Kong Government, Sir Robert Kotewall held appointments which had hitherto never been assigned to non-European, and was the first Chinese civil servant to be appointed an Official Justice of the Peace, and holding positions requiring legal training and great initiative.

Within five years of his appointment as an unofficial member of the Legislative Council, Sir Robert Kotewall was honoured by the King with the CMG in 1927, being the only unofficial in the Colony to possess this honour up to the time of his death.

In 1928 the University of Hong Kong conferred upon Sir Robert the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws in recognition of the valuable services he had rendered to the University.

On retiring from the Legislative Council after the end of his third term, Sir Robert Kotewall was nominated by Sir Geoffrey Northcote to succeed Sir Shouson Chow on the Executive Council from which he resigned upon the liberation of the Colony in 1945.

At the height of the hostilities in December 1941, before the capitulation of the Colony, Sir Robert was closeted daily with the then Secretary for Chinese Affairs Mr. R. A. C. North and other High Government Officials to work out plans for the continuation of the Colony.

On the surrender of Hong Kong to the Japanese on Christmas Day, 1941, Sir Robert Kotewall was one of the first few important Chinese approached by the enemy to co-operate with them, which he at first firmly refused, well aware of the consequences of such refusal.

However, subsequently he was prevailed upon by three of the then leading and senior members of the Hong Kong British Government, Mr. R. A. C. North, Mr. (afterwards Sir Grenville) Alabaster, KC and the late J. A. Fraser, MC, to co-operate with the Japanese to the extent that the interests of the Chinese might be safeguarded.

Mental Anguish

Even then Sir Robert Kotewall found it hard to reconcile himself to the task of collaborating with the enemy. It was not until he was fully assured by the three officials mentioned that his action would not be misconstrued by the British Government, and would not be considered or regarded as an act of betrayal of trust that Sir Robert was finally prevailed upon to agree to head the Chinese community in formulating plans for the protection of their interests.

Of his mental anguish and suffering, and the continued indignities suffered at the hands of a ruthless enemy none would ever know, and the secrets of his martyrdom must be buried with him in the grave.

In spite of certain unkind rumours to the contrary, Sir Mark Young as well as Admiral Sir Cecil Harcourt both wrote to Sir Robert Kotewall assuring him of their high regards for him, and fully recognising the extremely difficult situation in which he was

placed at the time of the surrender of the Colony in 1941. However, it may be safely said that Sir Robert Kotewall never fully recovered from the great strain placed upon him by the Japanese during the occupation of the Colony. His loyalty and devotion to the welfare of the Colony is unquestioned, and none ever doubted his integrity and high character.

Of Sir Robert Kotewall it may be said that he was indeed a self-made man. Without the influence of friends or the backing of wealth, Sir Robert rose from a comparatively unknown junior clerk in the Civil Service to the eminence of being one of the most respected citizens of the Colony, all by dint of hard work and perseverance as well as self-denial.

Loyal Citizen

The various public and semi-public bodies on which Sir Robert Kotewall had served at one time or another during his long career as a public man are too numerous to be mentioned, but some of the more prominent and better known may be cited. He was the first and only Chinese to hold the highly responsible post of President of the Boy Scouts Association, and had been Vice-President of the Hong Kong Football Association, President of the Society for the Protection of Children, and Patron of the South China Athletic Association, as well as President of the Chinese Manufacturers Union. He was a member of the School Council of both the Diocesan Boys' School and St. Paul's College, and a director of China Provident, Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd., Hong Kong Telephone Co., Ltd., Vibro Pilling Co., Ltd., Managing Director of Chinese Estates, Ltd., and Shing Co., Ltd., and Principal of his own firm R.H. Kotewall & Co.

By the death of Sir Robert Kotewall the Colony has lost a loyal and devoted citizen, and the community a tireless servant who had devoted the best part of his life to its service. Sir Robert left behind him one son and eight daughters. His son Cyril Kotewall has been manager of R.H. Kotewall & Co. since 1942, and has been helping his father since the latter's retirement from public life.

UN Delays Action On Nepal

Lake Success, May 24. The United Nations Membership Committee today decided to ask Nepal for further information on its Government and independent status before taking action on its application to become the 60th member.

The Committee adopted 9-0, with Russia and the Ukraine abstaining, a French proposal to request information on Nepal. It defeated a Russian alternative motion to defer action, indefinitely.

The Soviet argument in the debate indicated that the Soviet Union will probably veto the application if it is reported favourably to the Security Council.

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AN ALL-COMMUNIST CHINA "ONLY A MATTER OF TIME"

Cominform To Meet?

Rome, May 24. The departure of the Italian Communist leader, Signor Palmiro Togliatti, for Prague today to attend the Czechoslovak Communist Party Congress has provoked rumours here that a new meeting of the Cominform will be held shortly.

The independent newspaper "Il Momento" suggests that the convening of most of Europe's leading Communist leaders in Prague may provide an occasion for such a meeting. No comment is available from Communist sources here.—Reuter.

JAVA AMBUSH

Semarang, May 24. Nine Servicemen were killed and one wounded when an Army armoured car ran into a mine and a following Bren-gun carrier was shot at just to the North of Jogjakarta town, in Central Java, on Sunday morning.

The dead include a captain, a sergeant-major, two corporals and five soldiers. The victims were buried in Semarang on Monday.—Reuter.

London, May 24. Official quarters here say that all authoritative reports indicate that a Communist government of all China is only a matter of time.

In addition to official diplomatic reports, British chambers of commerce and other authoritative bodies in various parts of North and South China have reported that the advance on South China is virtually unchecked.

"Communist progress towards Canton is now measured only by how fast they can travel," one of the chamber of commerce reports said.

Other reports said the Nationalist forces in South China "are no longer in a position to offer large-scale resistance," while activity around Shanghai is reported as "diversifactory."

British Chamber of Commerce reports from Communist-occupied areas of China indicate that the British communities think less danger exists to their lives and interests from the Communists than from the lawlessness which developed with the retreat of the Kuomintang troops.

"The British business community generally appears to be of the opinion that with complete Communist victory prospects for British commerce are likely to improve," they said.

More important from the Foreign Office viewpoint are re-

GOLDEN KEYS FOR PRINCE

London, May 24.

Little Prince Charles may learn his ABC off a typewriter—with golden keys.

Princess Elizabeth was given the typewriter during a tour of the British Industries Fair. The Secretary of the Office Appliances Trade Association, which gave the machine, suggested Prince Charles might begin to learn his alphabet from the keyboard.

"A good idea," responded Princess Elizabeth. The Secretary told her the keys and type bars of the machine are 18 carat gold.—Associated Press.

It would be impossible in hostile

From Kwangtung province, it is reported that 100,000 guerrillas and former regular soldiers are standing by to join the Communists in Kwangsi, Kwangtung and Fukien.

From Northern Burma there are renewed reports that Chinese Communists are meeting on the Yunnan border, while Rangoon reports said there is evidence of Communist infiltration around Myitkyna, Northernmost town in Burma.—United Press.

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BLAST SIR-TIM! I'M GOING TO BED!!

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CALWELL ALLEGATION IN THE GAMBOA CASE

MENZIES IS NOT SATISFIED

Melbourne, May 24.
Mr. Robert Gordon Menzies, Australian Liberal leader, said today that the formula produced at the recent prime Ministers' Conference in London to keep India within the British Commonwealth had reduced the Crown from "a pulsing reality to a heartless lawyer's document."

Addressing an Empire Day rally, Mr. Menzies said the Prime Ministers had thrown away all the elements which made the British Commonwealth of Nations a united people.

There might not be an Empire Day next year, he said. It might be called Commonwealth Day. Later it might degenerate to something "even less descriptive of the great human association under the Throne."—Reuter.

HK PORTUGUESE MUST REGISTER

Macao May 25.
Portuguese citizens residing in Hong Kong have up to the end of the month to register with the Portuguese Consulate there for military service.

The mobilisation order by the Macao Government recently concerns Portuguese men between the ages of 16 and 45.

It was learned today that more than 600 have already been registered at the Recruitment and Mobilisation Headquarters here. Portuguese born in Portugal are also affected by the order.—Our Own Correspondent.

AMAH GETS ONE MONTH

Tsang Yuet-fong, an amah, was sentenced to one month's imprisonment and ordered to be expelled at Central yesterday for stealing a wrist watch and a rosary chain from her employer, Mr. T. J. Bartlett, of Tai Kook Sugar Refinery.

The prosecution said that on leaving the house, after she had been told to leave, her luggage was searched and the stolen property found.

NO DEFENCE SECRETARIAT

Hong Kong has no Defence Secretariat, it was officially announced yesterday by the Government Public Relations Officer. The spokesman referred to a foreign news agency report, quoting the Defence Secretariat here, which was published yesterday. The spokesman added that no such organisation exists.

TWO FERRY LEAPS

While the Northern Star was going to Kowloon from Hong Kong at 4 p.m. yesterday a Chinese woman jumped from the first class compartment into the harbour. When rescued, she was already dead.

Barlett, a Chinese man passenger jumped overboard from the ferry Day Star as it was approaching Hong Kong from Kowloon. The man was fished out and taken to the Queen Mary Hospital.

RADIO

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12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.
12.52 p.m.—"From the Films."
1.00 p.m.—Roberto Ingle (Piano) and His Orchestra.

1.15 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.
1.25 p.m.—Interlude.
1.30 p.m.—Orchestra of the Week—London Symphony Orchestra.

2.00 p.m.—Close Down.
6.00 p.m.—Programme Summary.
6.01 p.m.—Songs of Childhood by Armstrong Gibbs, Sung by the Midland Singers (BBC).

6.15 p.m.—Jean Carall (Vocal) with Philip Green and His Orchestra.
6.30 p.m.—The Swan Lake Ballet Music (Tchaikovsky) London Philharmonic Orchestra.

7.00 p.m.—"Down Beat Review," Presented by Paul Stuart (Radio).
7.30 p.m.—"Le Demi-Journe Française" (Radio).

8.00 p.m.—World News and News Analysis (London Relay).
8.15 p.m.—T. R. H. Prince Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh receive the Freedom of the City of Belfast. A Description by Wynford Vaughan-Thomas, of the Ceremony at City Hall, (London Relay).

8.45 p.m.—Unesco World Review.
9.00 p.m.—"From the Editorials" (London Relay).
9.15 p.m.—World Theatre "Othello" by William Shakespeare. Adapted for Broadcasting by M. R. Ridley. (BBC).

10.30 p.m.—"Othello Suite" (Coleridge Taylor) ... New Symphony Orchestra.
10.50 p.m.—"Thursday Evening" A Programme of Continental Music.

11.00 p.m.—Radio News, Intl. (London Relay).
11.15 p.m.—Weather Report and Summary of News from China.

11.30 p.m.—Close Down.

Sydney, May 24.

The Immigration Minister, Mr. Arthur Calwell, today said that some prominent Americans in Tokyo are actively engaged in a conspiracy to help a Filipino of American citizenship to circumvent Australia's immigration laws.

Mr. Calwell referred to the U.S. Army Corporal, Lorenzo Gamboa, who was unable to visit his Australian wife in Melbourne because of Australia's white policy.

"As matters now stand, the Gamboa case is closed," said Mr. Calwell.

He said that Mr. Alva Carpenter, legal aide to General MacArthur, is much to blame in the Gamboa case.

"Some prominent Americans in Tokyo were actively engaged in a conspiracy to help Gamboa and circumvent the laws of Australia," he said.

"Carpenter has been trying to speak for Mr. Arthur in the Gamboa case. At no time has the General ever personally made any representation to this Government about Gamboa."

Making it plain that the Government will not consider Gamboa's temporary permanent residence in Australia, he said: "There has been too much manoeuvring in the Gamboa case."

"It became clear to us that Gamboa was not merely seeking for an opportunity to visit his wife. He wanted permanent residence."

"He originally applied for residence. When that application was refused, Gamboa and his friends began to seek ways of circumventing the Australian Government and making us look ridiculous in the process."

"Now the suggestion is made by Mrs. Gamboa that he may wait until after the next election because there will be a new government in power which might permit her husband to come here."

"She may do so. That is her privilege. But as matters now stand the Gamboa case is closed."—United Press.

Robber Sentenced To 13 Years

"You are a vicious person, and I propose to pass a heavy sentence on you," remarked Mr. Justice Williams, Puisne Judge, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday when he sentenced Ho Kwai-cheung to terms running to 13 years' hard labour and 30 strokes.

Ho, who within three days shot three persons, a man, his wife in the Diamond Hill robbery, and a girl, with the same revolver, was convicted by the first all-woman jury for many years.

The jury deliberated for about 15 minutes before finding Ho unanimously guilty on one count each of wounding with intent to cause grievous bodily harm and assault with intent to rob.

Two other counts of shooting with intent to murder and wounding with intent to murder were dropped by the prosecution when the Crown offered no evidence.

In passing sentence, the Puisne Judge remarked that he was glad that the girl was fortunate to be alive. Mr. Williams commended the prompt service rendered by the police officers, particularly Detective Inspector D. Taylor, in apprehending the culprits in the Diamond Hill robbery, in which Ho was also involved.

Williams requested Mr. A. Whittam, Crown Counsel, to bring this to the attention of the Commissioner of Police.

The sentence passed on Ho yesterday was five years and ten strokes. The day before, accused had been given eight years and 20 strokes for his part in the Diamond Hill robbery of March 24. He was ordered to serve the present sentence consecutively with the one for robbery, which means he will have to serve a total of 13 years and will receive 30 strokes.

Mr. Hooton conducted the case for the prosecution, assisted by Detective Inspector D. Taylor. Ho was not legally represented, nor did he put up any defence.

Crown Counsel told the Court that on the evening of March 21 this year, Chi Suu-hing, a young woman, was starting home from work at a knitting factory in Kowloon City. She was walking

along a dark lane towards her home, when she perceived someone coming towards her.

Shot In The Back
When the man up to her, Mr. Hooton continued, he stopped and seized her from behind, running his arms around her body.

Chi then screamed and tried to run off. As she was doing so she heard a shot. Simultaneously she felt a sharp pain in her back.

Counsel went on to state that fortunately the shot was not sufficiently effective to stop the girl, who managed to keep on running until she reached her mother's house.

Chi was taken to the hospital, where she was detained for five days. The wound was found to be not serious.

Mr. Hooton further stated that, as it was very dark in the lane, the girl was not able to see her assailant well enough to identify him.

On March 29, he continued, Ho the accused was visited by the police. He eventually took the police to a place at the back of a house in Kowloon City and showed them a Japanese service revolver under a granite slab.

It was later found by the police armourer that the revolver had been fired recently. The bullet taken out of the girl's back was fired from the revolver.

The case for the prosecution, Mr. Hooton declared, was that Ho was the man who fired the girl on March 21.

Corroborative evidence was given by several witnesses, among whom were the girl, and the police armourer, Sub-Inspector J. MacMillan.

What About HK's Share?

Government will be asked, at the next meeting of the Legislative Council on June 1, to make a statement in regard to reparations payable to Hong Kong by Japan, and to what extent, any. The Colony's position is, may be affected by the recent American announcement as to stoppage of removal of industrial plants from Japan towards Japanese reparations.

The question will be asked by Sir Man-keung Lee, who gave notice at the meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday.

SS. PROSPER YINGKOW BOUND

The first local ship to clear officially for the Communist port of Yingkow, recently announced as open to domestic and foreign shipping, was the Norwegian steamer Prosper, which left last week with 700 tons of local cargo to barter for Manchurian products.

Necessary documents to enable the steamer to enter Yingkow were obtained when the Prosper was there last month.

Among the cargo were 200 drums of gasoline, foreign medicines, dyestuffs and paper, which the charterer, Yee Tai Hong Company, hopes to exchange for bristles, soya beans and vermicelli.

"Yingkow was the most prosperous port in Manchuria before the Sino-Japanese war, and as the springboard for foreign import and export business," an official said yesterday.

This Red-held port is linked with other Manchuria cities by land, rail and sea. Valuable cargo filtered through that port to the world.

Many foreign vessels have visited Yingkow during the past few months, the official stated. These craft originally cleared for Korean ports or Antung. But lack of business and poor exchange and provided the incentive for them to discharge their cargo at Yingkow.

"It is more profitable...at least for the time being," he added. Yingkow is easily accessible in summer. The waters freeze in winter, when loading and unloading is very difficult.

SHIP MOVEMENTS

San Francisco, May 25.
Ship arrival. China Transport from Yokohama, Titania from Manila, Linfield Victory sailed for Manila.—Associated Press.

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Airmail for Kunming and Luchow; Airmail for Amoy, (Reg.) 8 p.m., (Ord.) 8.30 p.m.

Airmail for Kowloon and Chungking; Airmail for Swatow and Tientsin, (Reg.) 8 p.m., (Ord.) 8.30 p.m.

Airmail for Rangoon, Calcutta, Karachi, (Reg.) 8 p.m., (Ord.) 8.30 p.m.
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Bangkok, 3 p.m.
Manila, Mombasa, Beira, L. Marques and South Africa via Durban, 2 p.m.

Amoy, 2 p.m.
Swatow, 4 p.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 27
Closing Times by Air

Airmail for Swatow and Amoy, (Reg.) 8.30 a.m., (Ord.) 9 a.m.
Airmail for Hoihow; Airmail for Foochow, (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.

Airmail for Swatow, Amoy and Taipei, (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.
Airmail for Manila, Honolulu, USA and Canada, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

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Closing Times by Sea

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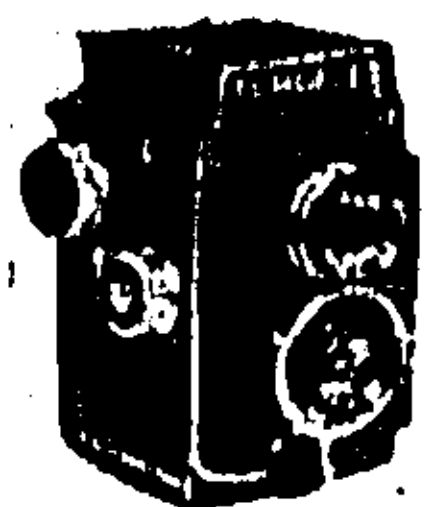
SEVERE BLOWS TO BRITISH EXPORTS

Hong Kong Stock Exchange

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OXFORD BEGINS THREE-DAY MATCH VS N.Z.

Oxford, May 25.

The Indian cricketer, A. H. Kardar, was included in the Oxford University side which opened a three-day match against the New Zealand touring team here today in fine weather and at lunch Oxford had scored 86 runs for one wicket.

Despite the easy pace of the pitch which was flooded yesterday, only a dozen runs came in the first half hour before Cave beat Boobyer with a delivery which swung late.

The left-hander, Winn, joined Hofmeyer, who although sometimes was late against the quick bowling of Cave and Hayes defended soundly. The pair were still together at lunch, having added 74 runs.

The Rabone-Mooney stand of 176 was easily the best made for the seventh wicket by a New Zealand team in this country, the previous highest was 77 unfinished by Dempster and Coomb against Glamorgan in 1934.

Mooney never relaxed and had the satisfaction of making a century in his first appearance at Lord's. His innings lasted four hours ten minutes and was marked by eight fours. By their solid performance Rabone and Mooney showed that the New Zealanders can offer stubborn resistance when all their attractive stroke makers, like Sutcliffe, Wallace, Donnelly and Reid fall.

Trevor Bailey, the Essex fast bowler, with five wickets for 83 runs, certainly proved his worth when the pitch was responsive to speed, and he had only to maintain this form to gain Test recognition.

The closing scores were:
MCC: 1st Innings 279
New Zealand: 1st Innings 3
Sutcliffe, b. Bailey 3
Scott, lbw, b. Edrich 4
Hadlee, c. Griffith, b. Bailey 4
Wallace, c. Bailey, b. Compton 28
Donnelly, c. Edrich, b. Bailey 0
Reid, b. Bailey 0
Rabone, b. Laker 92
Mooney, c. Mann, b. Bailey 102
Cave, c. Griffith, b. Edrich 5
Cresswell, not out 6
Extras 313

Bowling
O M R W
Edrich 10.5 7 37 3
Bailey 30 6 83 5
Compton 20 3 61 1
Laker 38 14 57 1
Broderick 34 10 55 0
Watkins 4 0 13 0

Though he was missed for the third time, Rabone fell within eight runs of his objective. Altogether he batted three hours 35 minutes and hit seven fours.

YANKEES BEAT BROWNS, 13-3

New York, May 24.

Yankees, with considerable help from St. Louis Browns, put together a 10-run inning today on just four hits, three errors and two walks for a 13-3 victory, the fifth in their last six starts. To be sure, they didn't beat much, but the victory counts in the League standings nevertheless and enables them to strengthen their already comfortable hold on first place.

Browns, who looked incredibly bad for a Major League team in dropping 10-3 and 13-3 decisions here, hit the depths in the fifth inning in which Yankees got just one earned run. Yogi Berra clinched the affair by hitting a three-run homer.

Bobby Doerr looped a single in the 10th that drove in two runs after Detroit had scored single run in its half. Tigers had scored twice in the ninth to tie the score at six-all. Doerr also homered, as did Ted Williams for Red Sox and Johnny Groth for Detroit.

Lefty Bob Chipman made his 1949 debut for Cubs, snapping them out of a five-game losing streak with an 8-2 triumph over New York Giants. Al Walker hit a three-run homer for Chicago to provide the winning margin. Cubs got 10 hits off Sheldon Jones to hand him his fourth defeat.

Today's scores were:

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Detroit Tigers 7, 12 0
Boston Red Sox 10 (10 Innings)

Tigers: p. Houtteman, Trout, Kretlow; c. Swift, Robinson, Klebe.
Red Sox: p. Harris, Hughson, Johnson; c. Tebbetts.

St. Louis Browns 13, 15 1
New York Yankees 3, 13 1

Browns: p. Drows, Ostrowski, Starr; c. Lollar.
Yankees: p. Raschi, Marshall; c. Berra.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

New York Giants 2, 8 2
Chicago Cubs 10 0 0

Giants: p. Jones, Hansen; c. Cooper.
Cubs: p. Chipman; c. Walker.

Brooklyn Dodgers 3, 13 0
Pittsburgh Pirates 1 0 0

Dodgers: p. Branch, c. Panella.
Pirates: p. Chesnes, Gregg (5th), Chambers (8th); c. Fitzgerald, Loser, Chesnes.

Boston Braves 1, 8 0
St. Louis Cardinals 3 5 1

Braves: p. Antonelli; c. Masl.
Cardinals: p. Brecheen; c. D. Rice.

Philadelphia Phillies 3, 5 0
Cincinnati Reds 4 8 0

Phillies: p. Meyer, Trinkle (7th), Kornstantz (8th), Simmons (9th); c. Bernick.
Reds: p. Vandemoer, Doderio (8th), Peterson (10th), Gumbert (10th); c. Mueller.

Winning pitcher: Gumbert; loser, Simmons.

Voted Year's Footballer

Fung King-cheung of South China "A" has been voted Hong Kong's "Footballer of the Year."

In a recent Gallup Poll conducted by the Kung Shung Evening News, Fung King-cheung polled 1,298 votes.

Chau Man-chi of Kowloon Motor Boat occupied second place with 407 votes, while Kiernan, formerly of Inniskilling Fusiliers but now of Hong Kong Football Club, came third with 385 votes.

Fung King-cheung started his football career in 1920 with South China.

He made his first trip abroad in 1927, when he represented South China on its Australian tour. In 1929, 1937 and 1947 he was capped as representative of Hong Kong against Shanghai in the Interport Series.

Fung has also played for Hong Kong against Manila and Saigon and participated in several Far East Olympic games, apart from representing China in the 1936 and 1938 World Olympics.

He was also a member of the Sing Tao XI which toured England and the Continent.

Fung, who was born in Hong Kong and completed his education at St. Joseph's College, usually plays as a forward. He is regarded as one of the cleverest soccer tacticians in China today.

Lawn Bowls Teams

INDIAN RECREATION CLUB

The following players have been selected to represent the Indian Recreation Club against the Police Recreation Club and the Hong Kong Electric Recreation Club respectively on Saturday.

Both games will start at 4 p.m. First team v Indian Recreation Club at Sookunpoo: M. Saul, W. McSmith, J.M. Forrest and W.B. Hillier (skip); W. Cameron, H. Brown, J.E. Hayward and C.H. Gough (skip); D.H. Taylor, A. Bouter, F. Channing and C. Downman (skip).

Second team v Hong Kong Electric Recreation Club: H.W. Valley, T. P. King, T.H. Goodman, R. Mackenzie and C. Pope (skip); J.H. Weeks, N. Senior, J. Russell and H. Davies (skip); G.E. Willerton, J. Redman, H.D. Kemp and N. Nolan (skip); R. Stewart, A. Saunders, J. Galvin and N. Reynolds.

HONG KONG CRICKET CLUB
The following will represent the HKCC in a Second Division Lawn Bowls match against the Indian Recreation Club on Saturday, May 28, at Sookunpoo at 4 p.m.

G.W. Sewell, E.J. Wilcock, W. Williams and H.H. Wild (skip); D. Phillips, F.C.B. Black, R.A. Edwards and A.W. Nixon (skip); A.D. Humphreys, J.L.D. Lowe, J. Silmer and H.F. Sheldrake (skip); R.M. Oliver and L.H. Wootton.

CLUB DE RECREIO
The following are the Club de Recreio Lawn Bowls teams for Saturday, May 28: League First Division "A" (away) v KCC at 4 p.m.: A. Pereira, C.E. Marques, F.V.V. Ribeiro and J.E. Noronha (skip); G.W. Sewell, E.J. Wilcock, W. Williams and H.H. Wild (skip); D. Phillips, F.C.B. Black, R.A. Edwards and A.W. Nixon (skip); A.D. Humphreys, J.L.D. Lowe, J. Silmer and H.F. Sheldrake (skip); R.M. Oliver and L.H. Wootton.

League Second Division (home) v CCR at 4 p.m.: L.S. Silva, J.P. Xavier, M.F. Pina and E.M. Alarcon; A.M. Silva, P.A. Costa, N.A. Borges and A.A. Lopes; R.M.V. Ribeiro, B. Pinto, O.P. Remedios and J.A. Remedios.

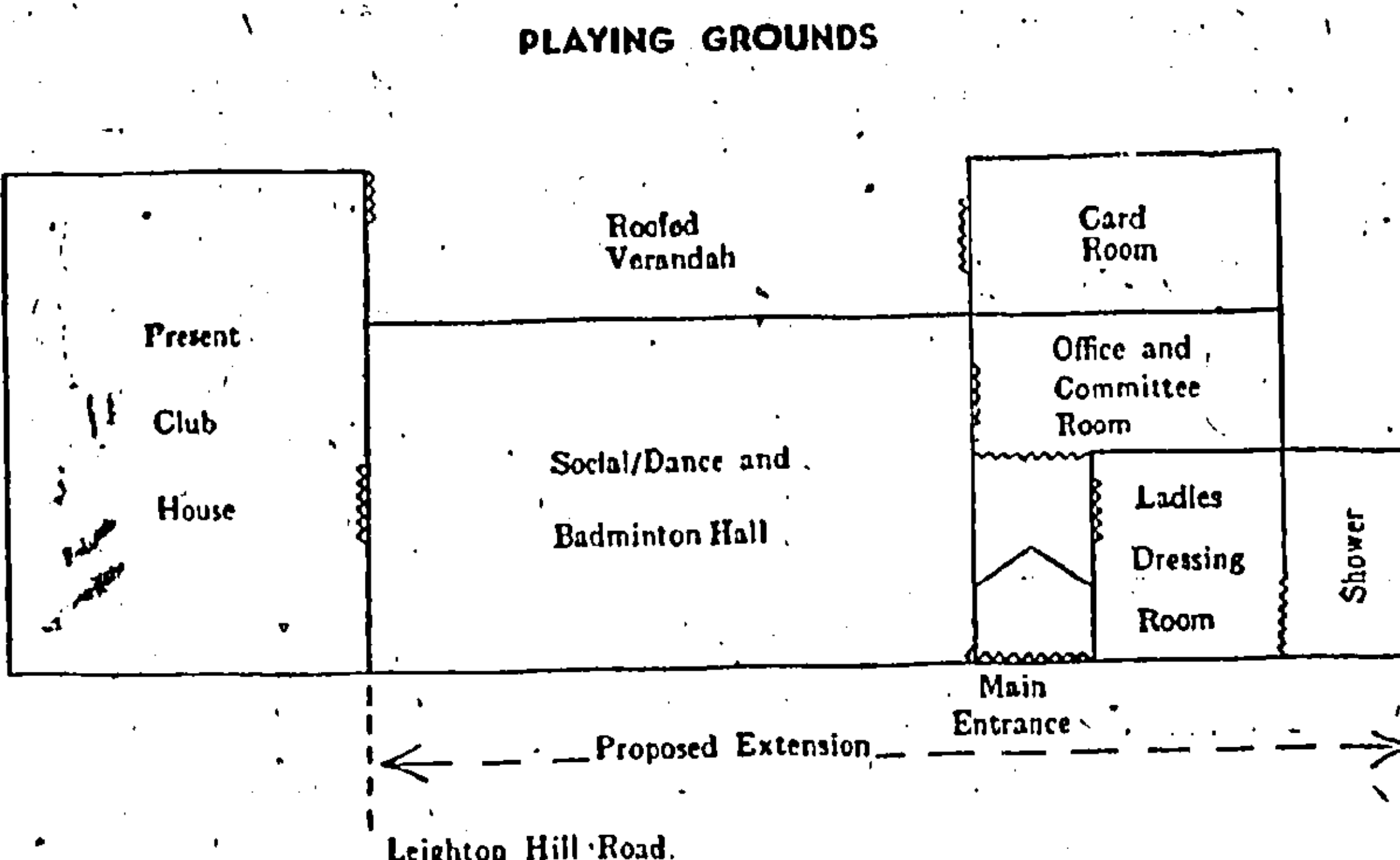
League Third Division (home) v KCC at 4 p.m.: V.A. Sequeira, J. A. Guterres, H.R. Nunes, M.L. Rosa and J.R. Soares; R.A. Campos, R.P. Sousa, L.A. Rosario and D.C. Aires.

MRS. TODD WINS MATCH

London, May 23.

Mrs. Patricia Canning Todd, American star, who is touring on British grass surfaces in preparation for Wimbledon, today won her first match in the Surrey lawn tennis championships at Surbiton, beating Miss Janet Morgan, the British holder of the United States squash racket title.

Mrs. Todd took 40 minutes to win 9-0, 6-4. Reuter.



Golf Game For Ladies

The Ladies' Section of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club have invited the Ladies from the Shek-O Club to a golf match at Deep Water Bay on Thursday, May 28.

The teams are as follows:
Deep Water Bay v Shek-O
Mrs. Pacey Mrs. Elliott
Mrs. Sheehan Mrs. Strickland
Mrs. Dawson Mrs. Macintosh
Mrs. Hunter Mrs. Standish
Mrs. A. Mackie Mrs. Probst
Mrs. Goldman Mrs. Walcott
Mrs. Turner Mrs. Frederick
Mrs. J. Brown Mrs. MacAvoy
Mrs. Penn Mrs. S. Stewart
Mrs. Markham Mrs. Fox
Mrs. B. Brown Mrs. Mason
Mrs. Collins Mrs. M. Robertson
Mrs. Robb Mrs. Hill

Play will begin at 9.30 a.m. The Shek-O guests will be entertained at lunch and tea.

The next regular "Third Thursday" will be on June 16, at Deep Water Bay. A Shanghai Four-some will be the event of the Day and it is hoped that all intending to play will sign the list at Deep Water Bay or inform the Hon. Secretary so that arrangements can be made for the drawing of partners before the day of play.

The Glover Cup is now being played, the first round to be finished by June 3.

Craigengower CC's Plan Of Extension

A new Badminton, Dance and Social Hall, Card Room, Office, Committee and Reading Room as well as a commodious Ladies' Dressing Room are envisaged in the proposed extension of the Craigengower Cricket Club at Happy Valley.

Plans for the proposed extension are contained in a circular which is being sent out to all members of the Club.

The cost of the proposed extension will come to approximately \$60,000 and the Committee of the Club have recommended that this sum be obtained by the issue of debentures of \$100 each.

It is hoped that members will give the scheme their fullest support by taking up as many of the debentures to be issued as possible.

As the Club has now more than 300 members, the Committee feel that the present building is totally inadequate for the needs of members.

Winner Of The Army Soccer League



The 25th Field Regiment RA Soccer XI which won the Army Senior Association Football Cup. ("China Mail" photo).

Field Regiment Tie With Rest Of Army

25th Field Regiment RA 4—Rest of the Army 4

In a high scoring soccer game at Sookunpoo yesterday, 25th Field Regiment RA, winners of the Army Senior Association Football Cup presented by the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, shared eight goals with The Rest of the Army.

On conclusion of the game the Cup, which was also won by the 25th Field Regiment RA last season, was presented to the Captain of the winning team by Major General F. R. G. Matthews, GOC. Souvenirs were also presented to individual members of the RA team.

The following is the record of the 25th Field Regiment RA for the Army soccer season which has just concluded:
F W D L F A
20 18 1 7 51

The runners-up were Buffs "B" who won 12 out of 15 games played, drew five and lost one. They scored 48 goals against 21. Buffs "B" did not complete their fixtures, as it was apparent that they could not undertake 25th Field Regiment RA even if they were to win their remaining fixtures.

At Fast Pace
Yesterday's finale was played at a fast pace throughout in spite of the intense heat. Fortunes fluctuated but it was obvious that The Rest were playing a more methodical type of football.

The Rest took the lead in the 18th minute when Weatherill converted a penalty for "hands" against a 25th RA defender. Brown equalised for 25th RA shortly afterwards, but another penalty against 25th RA saw Weatherill again put the Rest ahead.

This success was short-lived, however, as almost immediately Rimmer placed the Artillerymen on equal terms with a neat effort after eluding the opposing defence. There was no slackening in the pace of the game on resumption. Both sides strove hard to take the lead. The Rest were the first to be rewarded, Ranskill beating Anderson with a well placed shot.

On Even Terms

Fighting back gamely, 25th RA were soon on even terms once more. Brown being the scorer. Before the final whistle blew, Ranskill again scored and it seemed that the 25th RA were to suffer their second defeat of the season.

JOCKEY CLUB'S TOTALISATOR

The Hong Kong Jockey Club's totalisator will be ready for use in September. Work on installing the equipment started yesterday. It is being supervised by Mr. James Bruce, BSE, Senior Installer of Standard Telephones and Cables, Limited.

He arrived here from England on May 19 by BOAC to install the Multispeed Automatic Totalisator system for the Jockey Club.

Mr. Bruce was born at Ayr in 1934 after completing his engineering training at Edinburgh University.

Since that date he has supervised the installation and testing of 80 totalisator systems for his company. During the war, Mr. Bruce served with the Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers in West Africa, being in charge of electrical workshops from Dakar down the coast some 3700 miles to Elizabethville.

He hopes to complete the installation in time for the September 24 race meeting, and will then remain in Hong Kong until he is satisfied that everything is functioning perfectly before returning to his wife and two daughters, Anita and Sheana who are now living near Ashbourne in the Peak District of Derbyshire, one of the beauty spots of England.

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Surrey Move Up To Second Place

London, May 24.

A win over Warwickshire today enabled Surrey, last year's runners-up, to move into second place in the County Championship table. Middlesex, who did not have a County fixture, remain at the top with 40 points, 12 points in front of Surrey, who, however, have a game in hand, having played only three to Middlesex's four.

Northamptonshire could only draw their fifth game and conceded first innings points to Lancashire, dropped from second place to fifth place with the same number of points as Surrey, but with one more match played.

Derbyshire occupies fourth position with a win over Leicestershire and now have 24 points from only two games. They are followed by Northants, Warwickshire, and Yorkshire all with 24 points.

Warwickshire have played four and Yorkshire three games. Sussex lost to Gloucestershire today and dropped to eighth place with 20 points.

Dismissing Hampshire for 144 at Taunton today, Somerset secured their first Championship victory of the season. The left-arm spin bowler Hazell, wrecked Hampshire's hopes of scoring the 357 needed, by disposing of their three leading batsmen in 11 balls without conceding a run. He finished with a well-earned four for 30.

Today's victory means that the Somerset professionals qualify for their £5 a win talent money for the first time in the history of the club. An inspired quarter of an hour immediately before lunch, during which they capped four wickets for 24 runs, net Worcestershire on bowling honours with five wickets for six runs each.

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Tennis Games Results

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